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In Two
Sectors

According to the latest reports from Greece, the Italians are retreating in two sectors in the face of determined Greek attacks.

In the Pindus sector, remnants of the Alpini division are reported to be struggling back from Konitsa, 15 miles north of the place where they received their first set-back.

This will take them back over the frontier into Albania, and they are leaving behind equipment and prisoners to swell the numbers already taken by the Greeks.

The other area is on the Adriatic. Here, Italian advance patrols penetrated between the Kalamas and Acheron rivers, some 25 miles in from the coast.

The latest news from Greece says that the Italians have been pushed back towards the Kalamas River, and that Greek troops advancing from the Acheron (the "Styx" of mythology), have certainly reached Masaraki, eight miles from the Kalamas River. — Reuter.

OIL FOR
THE PLANES
OF NIPPON

THE NETHERLANDS OIL COMPANY WILL HENCEFORTH BE SUPPLYING JAPAN WITH OVER 1,800,000 TONS OF OIL AND OIL PRODUCTS ANNUALLY. IT WAS LEARNED IN BATAVIA YESTERDAY.

The recently initialled agreement provides that Japanese importers will be able to purchase crude oil at the rate of 760,000 tons annually and oil products of 540,000 tons.

This will be in addition to about 494,000 tons of various oil products regularly shipped by oil companies in Batavia. — Reuter.

ST. MARTIN'S
WRECKED

THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN IN THE FIELDS WAS AMONG THE PLACES DAMAGED IN A RECENT LONDON AIR RAID. IT WAS REVEALED YESTERDAY OFFICIALLY.

All the windows and one side of the building were blown in.

AIR FORCE
ATTACK ON
BOLOGNA

An attack by Royal Air Force planes upon Bologna in Italy is announced in Berlin by the Bologna correspondent of D.N.B. — Reuter.

COMMONS WANT
BOMBING OF ROMEDON'T BE
SQUEAMISH

As the Italians are now participating in the bombing of London, Captain Balfour, Under-Secretary for Air, was pressed in the Commons yesterday on the question of bombing Rome.

Captain Balfour referred to his previous statement in which he declared that Government had taken note of the Italian admission that their aircraft had participated in the London bombings and must, therefore, reserve full liberty of action in regard to Rome.

Since that time, Captain Balfour added, the Italian Government must have become aware that endeavours to approach British coasts were likely to cause very heavy casualties to their air force.

Captain Balfour was asked not to be squeamish, to which he replied that it would be thoroughly wrong for Government to give away to the enemy their strategic plans in regard to any objective. — Reuter.

FOUR NAZI
BOMBERS
DESTROYED

FOUR GERMAN BOMBERS WERE DESTROYED IN YESTERDAY'S ENEMY RAIDS ON BRITAIN, WHICH WERE ATTEMPTED OVER SEVERAL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

In none of these raids, says an Air Ministry communique, were many bombs dropped and scarcely any damage or casualties were caused anywhere. — Reuter.

Most of the 600 people in the crypt escaped.

South Africa House was also damaged by the same bomb. — Reuter.

Probable Result Of
Berlin Talks

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

AMID A WELTER OF SPECULATION AND PROPAGANDA, THE GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE HAS ITSELF BETRAYED ITS PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE IN INVITING M. MOLOTOV, THE SOVIET COMMISSAR FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, TO BERLIN.

The Wilhelmstrasse statement refers to the primary need of fixing a basis for Soviet collaboration, not merely with the Axis but with Japan.

In other words, having secured Japan's participation in the tri-partite agreement designed to counter any move by the United States, Germany is now trying to associate the Soviet with the pact.

It is unlikely, however, that the Soviets will fall in with Hitler's plans so far as to commit herself to any specific course as the war develops.

That the talks may result in improved relations between the Soviets and Japan is by no means improbable.

Neither country wishes to be drawn into the war and there are abundant questions on which their interests run parallel.

Although it is not easy to see any common ground regarding the situation in China, some form of compromise on that subject is easier to envisage than any commitments by the Soviet in Europe, other than economic.

Polish Frontier

It may be recalled that Germany tried to trace the new Polish frontier further westward so as to give Russia a bigger slice of Poland, but Moscow was satisfied with the territories in which the inhabitants were mostly Russian.

HUNT FOR
RAIDER

It is now certain that a German raider laid the mines which sank a British and an American ship last Friday, stated Mr. C. E. Hughes, Minister of the Navy, in Melbourne yesterday.

The Minister added that the mines were laid "quite recently." The raider must be within a certain radius and naval and air patrols are searching diligently. — Reuter.

BLUE PETER BAN

The hoisting of "departure" signal flags on ships about to leave Hong Kong within two hours is now prohibited by the harbour authorities.

NORWAY
GROWING
RESTLESS

According to the Stockholm correspondents of Swiss newspapers, a movement is growing among officials in Norway to demonstrate their disrespect for their new masters.

The "National Zeitung" reports that all officials of the entire administrative district of Brandu have been dismissed for "Go Slow" conduct and the administration of the district has been completely disclosed.

Similar disobedience is reported from many other parts of Norway. — Reuter.



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WARNING TO SPAIN

Formal British Protest Against Tangier Seizure Action Would Be Taken To Prevent Fortification

WEYGAND REBELLIOUS RUMOUR

"Tendencious and unfounded rumours" is the Havas Agency's description of reports that General Weygand has refused to return to France from Africa and that Vice-Admiral Decoux has resigned.—Reuter.

IT WAS REVEALED in the House of Commons yesterday that the action of the Officer Commanding the Spanish troops in Tangier in taking over full charge with the title of Government, was undertaken without consultation with any Government interested.

The British Ambassador in Madrid has been instructed to record a formal protest against that action.

Commenting on this, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, also announced that the British Ambassador has been instructed to make it clear to the Spanish Government that the British Government attaches great importance to the maintenance of neutrality in the Tangier zone and to the avoidance of any action which might be harmful to British interests.

Mr. Butler added that the Ambassador had already seen the Spanish Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Asked if the British Government would take every action to see that Tangier remained neutral and unfortified, Mr. Butler said, "Yes, the British Ambassador has stressed the importance that we attach to the maintenance of the neutrality of the zone."—Reuter.

OBSERVER CORPS' BAG

An Observer Corps watcher on the north-east coast of England can credit himself with one German bomber. His promptness enabled Spitfires to bring the raiders down near enough for him to see the wreckage.

One evening he spotted an aircraft flying at some 17,000 feet and heading over the coast. He decided that it was a German aircraft, and a Junkers 88 at that. The news was flashed through to the observer centre, and so to a Fighter Command station.

Spitfires were in the air within a few minutes. The enemy was quickly seen and overhauled, and the attack began. With their first burst, the Spitfires killed the German gunner. Then the Junkers was disabled.

Some miles away a searchlight post saw the enemy being harassed and forced down, and then saw it crash on the heather. A few minutes later, officers and men of the searchlight post were on the scene and had taken three Germans prisoner. The fourth, the gunner, was dead.

The whole combat, from the spotting of the Ju. 88 to its descent on the moors, had taken little more than 40 minutes. A proud member of the Observer Corps visited the wreckage of the Junkers on the following day.

WAR BILL RISING IN AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIA'S WAR EXPENDITURE HAD RISEN FROM £6,900,000 IN JULY TO £11,000,000 IN OCTOBER, DECLARED MR. A. W. FADDEN, THE AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL TREASURER, IN A BROADCAST FROM CANBERRA LAST NIGHT.

He said that in order to raise funds for the war, the Commonwealth Government would use credit expansion within strict limits, increase taxation and launch the biggest loan in the history of the country.—Reuter.



The back view is most deceptive—the front view reveals that it is merely a young Londoner in the country who thinks this is the best way of transporting a gramophone horn from one place to another. (Copyright, Fox).

AMBULANCES FOR THE NAVY

The Princes Royal has handed over to the First Sea Lord, Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound, the first ten of twenty ambulances purchased by Girl Guides of the Empire for the Royal Navy.

The Guides of the Empire raised £48,954, said the Princes Royal, by the voluntary sacrifice of half a day's income or pocket-money. Having heard that they could give air ambulances to the R.A.F., the Guides thought they would like to give a hospital ship to the Navy. The Admiralty, however, stated that they feared that this would not be possible, but suggested instead that ambulances were badly needed at various ports.

Acknowledging the gift, Sir Dudley Pound said: "If the enemy give us the chance we hope, the happy though wounded victors of some great sea fight may rejoice in your kindness."

CHINA'S BROAD HINT TO FRANCE

In a strongly worded article, the official "Central China Daily News" in Chungking urges France to cease making concessions to Japan.

The newspaper says that unless France is willing completely to abandon her interests in the Far East, she must realise that any mistaken move now will result in irreparable damage to her rights and interests in the Far East when the time comes for a fundamental settlement of Pacific problems.

The paper alleges that Japan is now demanding a "loan" of \$500,000 monthly from Indo-China and the right to circulate Japanese military Yen notes in Indo-China.—Reuter.

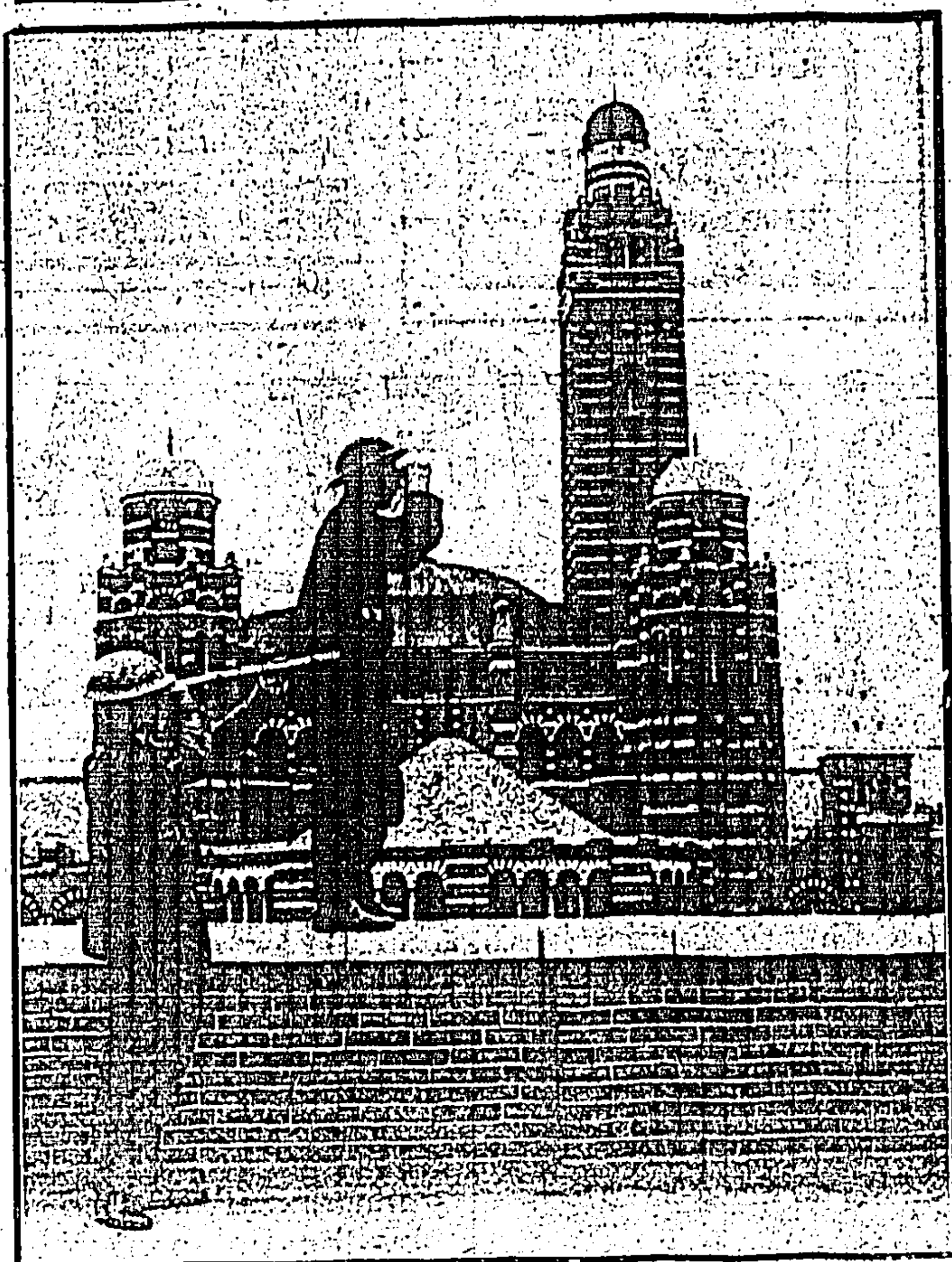
REWARD OF VICTORY

Sergeant pilots and pilots commissioned from the ranks have done well in the fighting round our coasts and over France. Several have two figure "bags" of enemy aircraft shot down.

One Fighter Command squadron had until recently two pilots promoted from the ranks who have been awarded five decorations between them. The Squadron Leader joined the R.A.F. as a boy apprentice eighteen years ago. He has won both the D.S.O. and the D.F.C. Now he has left the squadron after losing an eye as a result of wounds received during a head-on attack on a large formation of Messerschmidt 110s. Serving with him was a Sergeant pilot who has since won the equivalent of the D.F.C. three times over. He received the D.F.M. as a Sergeant pilot, was promoted to Pilot Officer and collected the D.F.C. and a bar to the D.F.C.

Usually a Sergeant pilot goes to another squadron when he is commissioned. After the thrice decorated pilot had been away for a time, his old squadron asked to have him back. He gladly returned to them because they were defending in their Spitfires the county in which his wife and small daughter live.

With his help they have made thirteen a doubly unlucky number for the Germans. They have shot down thirteen enemy bombers and fighters over France and another thirteen at different points along our coast all the way from Scapa Flow to the Channel.



Westminster Cathedral has adopted the system of "roof-spotting" so that services can continue during air-raid warnings. A squad of 20 air-raid wardens, recruited from the clergy and staff, man observation posts on the tall tower and on the roofs. Photo shows Fathers M. J. Moriarty and J. A. Coughlan as "roof spotters" showing the Cathedral in the background. (Copyright, Fox).

HEARING MASS IN AN AIR RAID

In this town we are used to air raids writes a correspondent of "The Universe," a Catholic paper. The siren shrieks sometimes as often as five times a day.

I don't know what other people do when they hear it; personally I make an Act of Contrition, say a short prayer for all who have to die that day, and then—if I am cut—seek shelter. If I am in my house I go about my usual business.

The other Sunday morning, as I was on my way to Mass, I heard the well-known wail. I continued on my way. I was almost at the church door; it would have taken more time to turn back or seek a shelter. Besides, why should Hitler make me miss my Sunday Mass?

When I arrived the church was half filled with people, and more were hurrying in. Perhaps there was a little whispering that was not altogether the whispering of prayers, and a little panting from those who were no longer young and rather out of breath, but no one looked in the least perturbed. Presently our priest came out of the sacristy and flared down the church. He smiled as he saw that most of his flock were there and disappeared again.

Mass began. Hardly was the priest at the altar before we heard the zoom of planes, a burst of machine-gun fire, followed immediately by loud crashes from the anti-aircraft guns. Boom, boom, they went, and the church shook.

Boom, boom, boom. . . . Not a soul moved or murmured except for a few little children who whimpered in evident fright and cried out to their mothers. Not for the first time I was thankful that it had been possible for me to send my own children away from the coast.

Mass went on, disturbed neither by war nor the threat of bombs. The priest came to the pulpit to read us the Epistle and Gospel. It did not really matter that his words were inaudible; we could read them in our own Missals.

Again he smiled at his people, and that kind smile seemed to reassure us that all was well. We were—as always—in the hands of God.

We said our Credo. In a pause between booms we heard the bell

FRENCH FLEET RUMOURS

Reports in Zurich that the French Fleet has left the Mediterranean are stated to have come from Vichy.

The "Gazette de Lausanne" correspondent believes that the fleet is bound for French Indo-China to which, he says, Thailand (Siam) has delivered a fresh ultimatum.

In a message describing the Vichy Government's concern over the defence of the colonies, the Vichy correspondent of "La Suisse" also mentions an unconfirmed report that the fleet has left for an "unknown destination."—Reuter.

BLOCKADE OF FRENCH COLONIES

FROM MONDAY NEXT, ALL SHIPS TO AND FROM SYRIA, FRENCH WEST AFRICA, LIBERIA, PORTUGUESE GUINEA, MADAGASCAR AND REUNION WILL HAVE TO HAVE "NAVIGANTS" FROM THE BRITISH MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC WARFARE.

As in the other areas, failure to comply with the regulations means that the master of the ship, as well as the owners and charterers, may be denied the use of any British control facilities.—Reuter.

FAMILY TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

A married couple with their four children were admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday suffering from poisoning, after having a meal, which included "mushrooms."

ring for the Sanctus. And then through the renewed gunfire one gradually became aware of a Silence and a Peace that the shattering roar of air battle could not touch, until at last one ceased to hear the outside clamour, so intense was the Peace of God, present in the Sacred Host.

Something For Mussolini To Think About—At Taranto

MR. AMERY ON IL DUCE'S ILLUSION

"WE ARE FIGHTING against secession, as Nazidom is, in effect, a war of secession from European civilisation," said Mr. L. M. Amery, Secretary of State for India, at a luncheon in London yesterday.

Mr. Amery was addressing a meeting of the National Defence of Public Interests Committee, over which Lord Nathan presided.

Said Mr. Amery: "The culture and ideals given by Greece, Rome, Christianity and the Middle Ages are all directly challenged by the new barbarian."

"It is because the issues go so deep, because this is total war, not in methods only, but between totally irreconcilable principles, which are contending for victory, that no compromise is possible."

Referring to the failure of the German air attacks on Britain, Mr. Amery said we hardly realised from day to day that Young Britain in the shape of its air-men had won one of the world's historic battles—a battle which he thought would figure in this war as the Battle of the Marne figured in the last—as the turning of the tide.

If Duce's Illusion

Mr. Amery described Mussolini as the victim of the illusion that he was destined to restore the greatness of ancient Rome, "but he forgets that Rome grew not by calculated aggression, but largely by sheer force of character and circumstances."

"He has also forgotten that even before ancient Rome there was ancient Greece and that spirit still lives in Greece to-day."

Mr. Amery was loudly cheered when he referred to the brilliant success of the Fleet Air Arm against the Italian Fleet at Taranto.

"It will be something for the Italians to go on with," said Mr. Amery, adding: "Wars are won by daring."—Reuter.

HAD SECRET PHOTOS

An application by William Gaskell Downing, aged thirty-two, for leave to appeal against conviction and sentence of six years' penal servitude passed at Manchester Assizes, was refused by the Court of Appeal.

Downing was convicted on three charges of making photographs which might be useful to the enemy.

Mr. Justice Humphreys said Downing was employed as an examiner on the technical staff of the Air Ministry, and worked at a place of great importance. He had highly confidential documents in his possession, and kept them in a locked attaché case.

He had left his wife, and was in love with a German girl, with whom he lived at a flat in Didsbury.

When the police went to see the girl at the flat about a change of address, photographs of a badge, a probationer's pass, and another pass which enabled Downing to get into the works where he was employed, were discovered.

The girl had a key to his attaché case.

Downing's defence was that he wanted the photographs as a record of his work.

There was no evidence said the Judge, that the verdict was unreasonable, and the sentence was a proper one.

ITALIAN NAVAL RIDDLE

Why the Italian Fleet refuses to give battle to the British is still a mystery. Mussolini can scarcely be waiting until naval conditions become more favourable to him, because he has already allowed the British to reinforce their strength in the eastern Mediterranean.

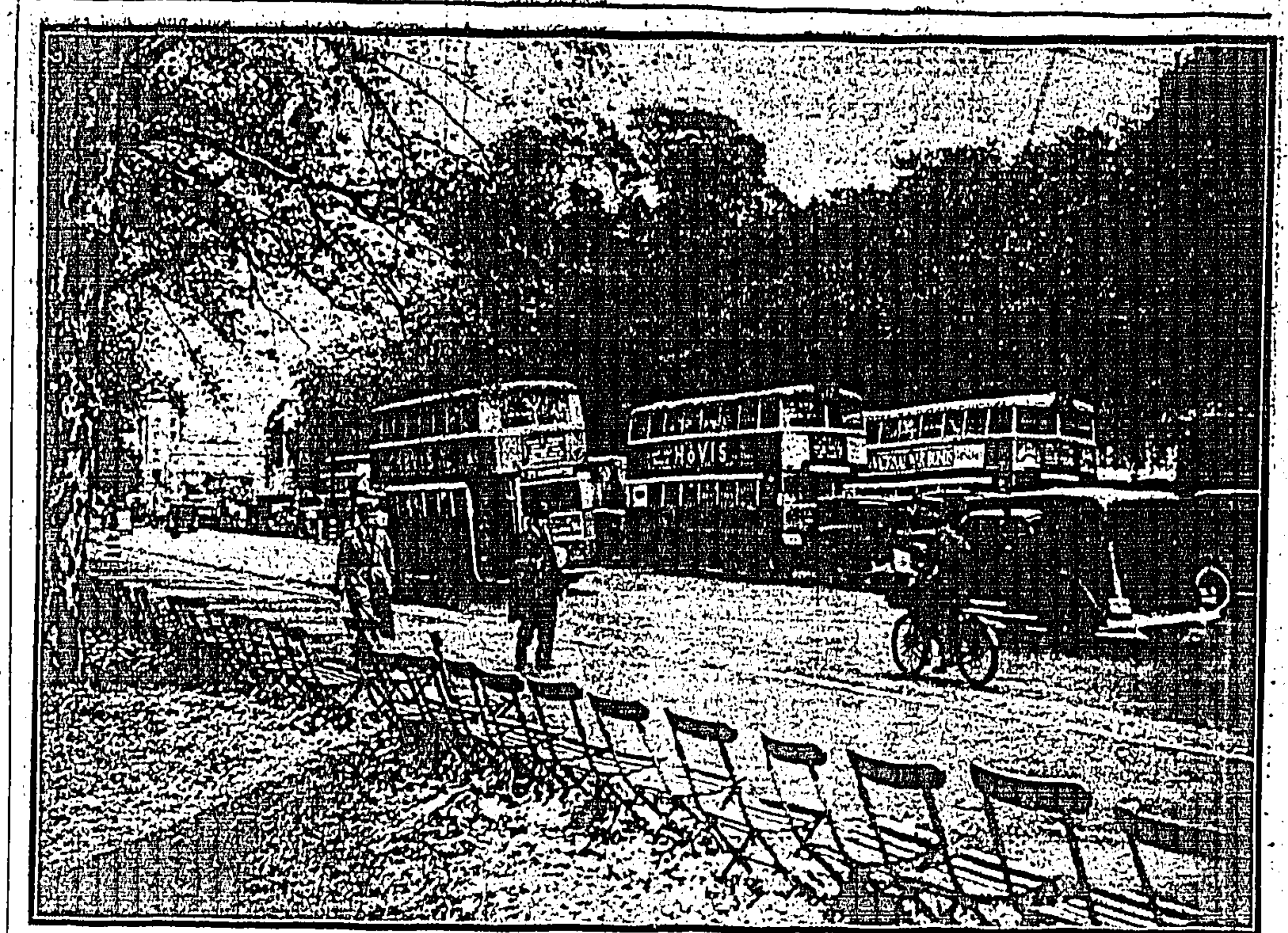
He may think that the Mediterranean issue will be decided elsewhere than at sea and that he can thus keep his fleet intact. He may even hope that developments elsewhere will compel the British squadrons to be withdrawn from the south-eastern Mediterranean, either to home-waters or much farther afield. The growing importance of the Middle Eastern theatre of war should have dispelled this idea long since, but, even if a British evacuation were likely, this still does not explain why the Italians made no use of the marked numerical preponderance of naval strength they enjoyed in the Mediterranean.

If the role of her fleet is to be restricted to minor harrying, there was no reason why Italy should have spent so many billions of lire in the last few years on building her two new 35,000-ton battle-ships, or her eleven new cruisers. She has always stressed mine-warfare, and all but nine of her cruisers and all of her destroyers are specially equipped as minelayers. Admittedly the depth of the Mediterranean militates against the laying of mines, but there are many places adjacent to the coasts where such speedy vessels as the Italians possess could drop mines and greatly harass the British. There is also the inexplicable failure to use her submarines more extensively.

After the fall of France, it was surely elementary strategy to break up the British Mediterranean units at whatever cost it might entail and then to prevent reinforcements coming in by closing the Straits of Gibraltar. Failing this, Italy, for some reason or other, must think that she can get what she wants without fighting at sea.

GANDHI TO EXTEND CAMPAIGN

A MOVE TO EXTEND THE MAHATMA GANDHI'S CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE CAMPAIGN IS INDICATED BY A REPORT IN BOMBAY THAT HE HAS INFORMED THE VICEROY THAT HE HAS DRAWN UP A LIST OF



BUSES IN THE PARK — Owing to a traffic diversion in Park Lane, passengers on London buses have had the pleasure of a trip through Hyde Park on their way to business. (Copy right, Fox).

CANADA FACES GRAIN PROBLEM

J. A. Mackinnon, Canadian Federal Minister of Trade and Commerce, said in a Winnipeg interview recently that serious as the present wheat problem is, it is only "trifling" compared with what it will be next year unless the international situation alters radically, states the "Christian Science Monitor."

On tour through the west to study the grain situation, Mr. Mackinnon stopped in Winnipeg for a series of informal conferences with wheat board officials, members of the grain trade and Manitoba government officials.

Unless Britain manages to gain a foothold on the European continent, Canada will face the next crop year with her elevators full and nowhere to put the new crop except in storage on farms, he said.

He was unable to say whether the federal government would attempt a solution by restricting crop acreage or not, but the government realised the need for a decision before next year's seeding began.

The wheat committee of the federal cabinet was willing to make advances on farm-stored grain but unexpected difficulties prevented immediate action. The difficulty was in obtaining a means of making the advances to farmers since the banks and elevators did not wish to become directly involved.

With the conflicting evidence coming out of the west, he had decided to study the situation himself.

"I want to make it clearly understood," he declared, "that I believed an advance to be necessary. I want it further understood that I am certain the difficulty will be met."

1,500 MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS PARTY WHO WILL INVITE IMPRISONMENT BY INDULGING IN ANTI-WAR ACTIVITIES.

The list includes, according to the report, all well-known Congressmen, including former ministers in provinces and members of the Central Legislature. — Reuter.

LUXEMBURG GOVERNMENT IN CANADA

A provisional Government for the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg has been set up at Montreal with the permission of the Canadian Government.

This was announced yesterday by the President, Pierre Dupong, who added that the members of the Cabinet will confer at Montreal with the Grand Duchess Charlotte. — Reuter.

FRENCH GIRL "CONSCRIPTS"

FRENCH PRIESTS AND MAYORS HAVE BEEN PLEADING IN VAIN WITH THE GERMAN AUTHORITIES TO RETURN TO THEIR MOTHERS THOUSANDS OF FRENCH GIRLS WHO HAVE BEEN SENT TO GERMAN "LABOUR CAMPS," SAYS THE "SUNDAY CHRONICLE."

When the German troops marched in, girls were rounded up and told that they would be conscripted for service. They were then sent to towns which the Germans had already occupied, or to other towns inside Germany.

To lessen the scandal which arose in the occupied areas, the parents were told that the girls would be well-paid, and that they would be allowed to send part of their earnings home.

On arrival at their destinations, the girls joined thousands of girls from Poland and other occupied countries.

The majority are shop girls, factory girls and peasant girls.

News has leaked through to parents that some of them have already committed suicide rather than obey their German masters. In other cases the parents have been curtly informed that the girls have died.

LONDON'S "STEEL CURTAIN"

London's curtain of steel put up nightly by the new A. A. barrage is vividly described by Ned Russell, an American journalist, in a cable to U.S. newspapers.

After he had seen an anti-aircraft battery in the Thames Estuary at work, he wrote:—

"Once a young officer beside me said: 'There are about forty-five tons of little pieces of steel up there now. God-help anybody near them.'"

"These heavy shells, of which thousands are hurled into the air each night and day during raids over the Estuary, have a 100 per cent. destructive effect when they burst within a hundred feet of a plane. They are able to damage and severely jolt from 500ft. Hence the barrage from scores of blazing guns creates a devastating mass of deadly flying steel."

A. A. Gaping Kills

Curiosity is killing people. Since the new "wall" barrage from London's anti-aircraft guns has increased in intensity, casualty rolls of shrapnel victims have mounted alarmingly (writes a London reporter).

Many of the injured have suffered because of their own curiosity—standing in the street gazing into the sky.

Here is official advice:—

"As soon as you hear gun-fire, whether it is distant or near, take cover and don't peep out. If you are caught in the open and shrapnel is falling lay face down on the ground, rest on your elbows and clasp your hands behind your head—it is better to receive a hand wound than a head injury. You should make a run for it in order to get to work and not disorganise production—but don't budge if there is danger overhead."

The question of sounding a special "shrapnel warning" has been considered and found impracticable.

CREMATION OF MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S REMAINS

The remains of the late Mr. Neville Chamberlain were privately cremated in London yesterday. There was no service or ceremony and only two members of his household were present. Arrangements for the funeral service have not yet been announced.

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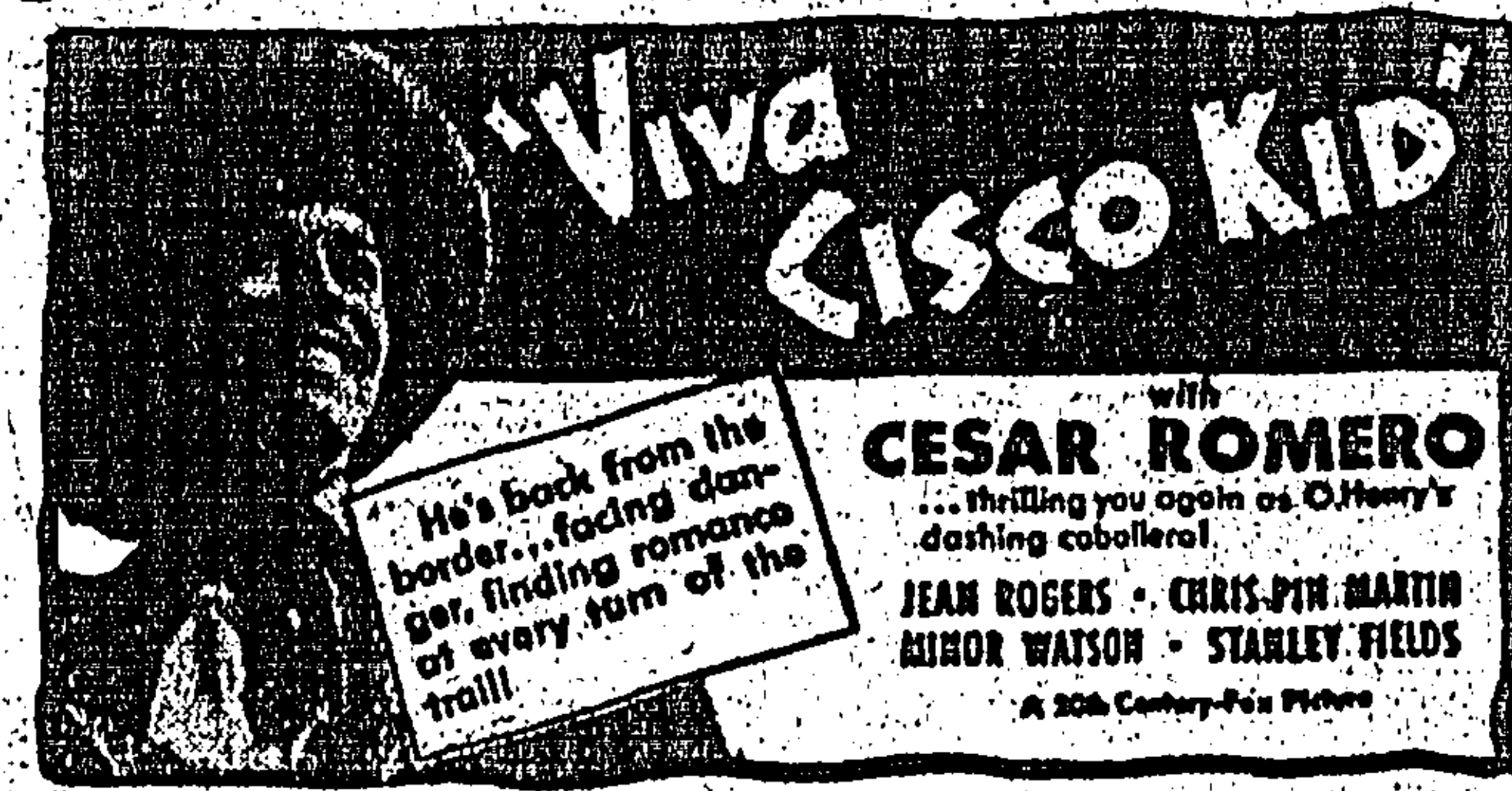
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JERVIS BAY EPIC RETOLD IN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE

AN OFFICIAL Admiralty communique issued last night re-tells in restrained language the gallantry of the action of the captain and crew of the merchant cruiser, Jervis Bay, in boldly tackling a "big German warship" in order to save her convoy.

The German warship is believed, as a result of the statement of skippers in the convoy, to be the pocket-battleship "Admiral Scheer."

The Admiralty communique discloses that H.M.S. Jervis Bay was hit very early in the action, but although she was put partly out of control and was seriously on fire, she continued to fight on and to take the pounding of the enemy guns for an hour in pursuance of Captain E. S. F. Fegen's intention to draw the enemy's fire away from the ships in the convoy while the latter dispersed. She sank about three hours after the enemy's fire started.

Survivors Arrive

Ninety survivors of four of the ships which the German surface raider sank in the Atlantic arrived at St. John's, Newfoundland, yesterday.

They were found drifting in lifeboats some 36 hours after their ships had gone down. Most of them were very sparsely clad and said that they had had a "wretched time" in the heavy weather which the lifeboats encountered.—Reuter.

BRITISH, GERMAN CAMERAS ON SHOW

A number of interesting camera exhibits are now being shown at the R.A.F. Photographic Exhibition at the Building Centre Galleries 158 New Bond Street, London.

Visitors can compare the Royal Air Force standard F.24 aircraft camera weighing approximately 28-lb, with exchangeable lens cones of 3 1/4", 5", 8", 14" or 20" lenses, with i.s. German counterpart, the cumbersome 12" x 12" camera with a fixed 20" lens, weighing approximately 168-lb. Specimens of aerial photographs taken with each camera are also on view.

The F. 24 with a separate mounting, as used for oblique photography, can also be seen.

A further comparison can be made between the standard F.8 R.A.F. camera and the German 7" x 7" camera.

Other exhibits include a G.28 camera gun used for training observers in air gunnery and a R.A.F. 16 m.m. cine camera gun, the standard type fitted to certain fighter aircraft for recording combats. Films taken by the latter during actual combats are shown at regular intervals.

To illustrate the advance in aerial photography since the advent of aircraft as a weapon for war, a 1914 L.B. type aircraft camera with which plates were used instead of the present day films, is also on view.

PRO-NAZIS 'PURGED'

A purge of pro-Nazis has been carried out in the Isle of Man internment camps. This was revealed when a number of friendly aliens who had been released arrived at a north-western port.

One released man said that in one camp the pro-Nazis formed themselves into a clique and managed to get themselves billeted in two houses.

"Among these internees, one of the houses was known as 'The Brown House.' We wondered why the authorities could not act, but apparently they had good reasons.

"A few days ago there were a number of transfers, when most of these men went.

"They did not trouble to hide their hatred of the Jews among

BLACK-OUT OF ENTIRE CONTINENT

The last country in Central Europe still lighting up at night will enforce the black-out in future, says the Swiss Radio.

It is the small Principality of Liechtenstein, wedged between Switzerland and Austria, and having an area of only 65 square miles.—Reuter.

the internees. If there could be such a thing as 'Fifth Column' work in an internment camp, they carried it on.

"The atmosphere was a lot better after these Nazis had been moved. I was surprised at their arrogance. They seemed to take the courtesy of the camp officers as weakness. They always spoke German.

"Most of the Nazis there were people who had been in business in Britain, many of them since just after the last war—people who had come to England of their own accord to start business—not genuine refugees."

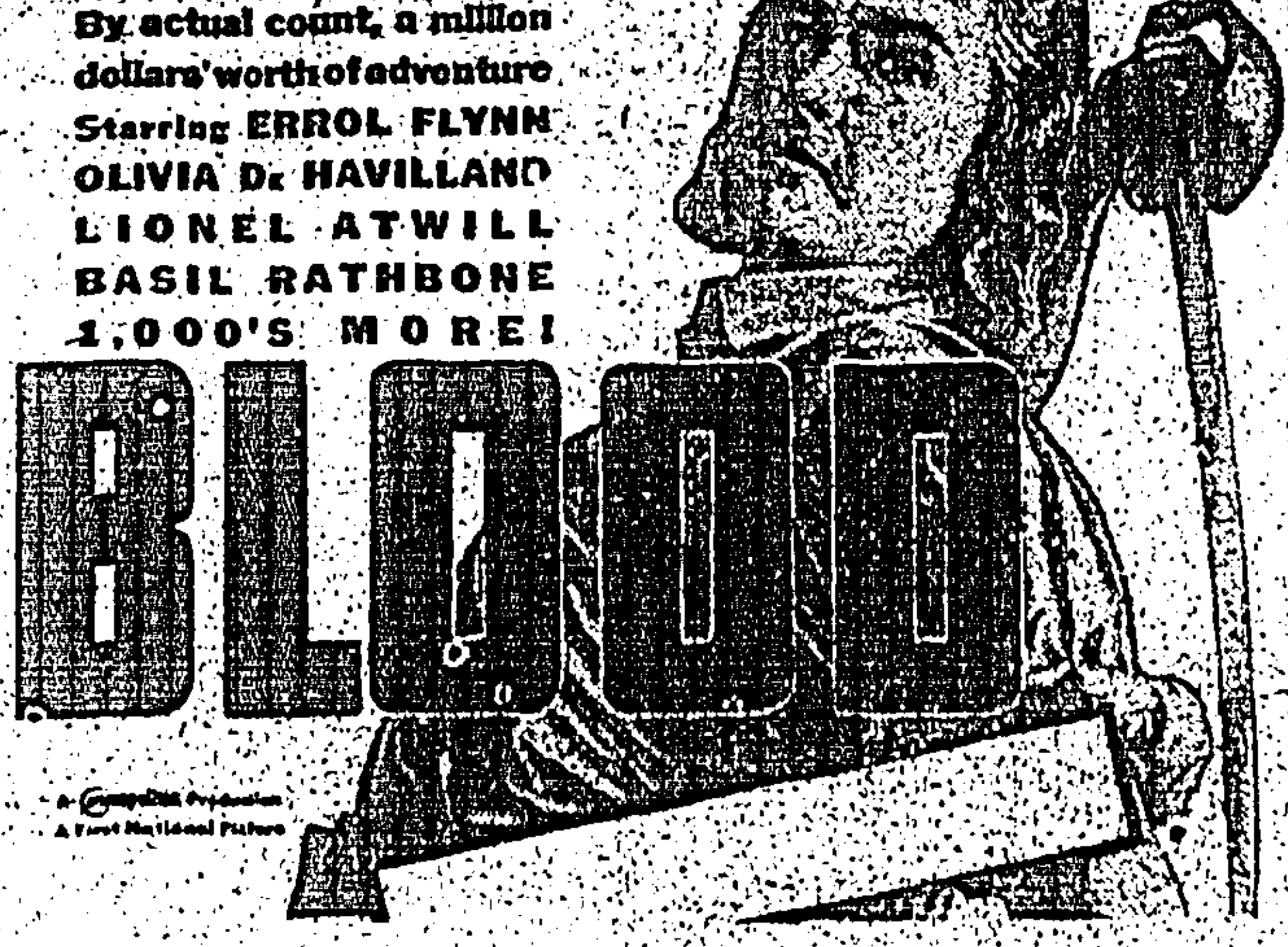
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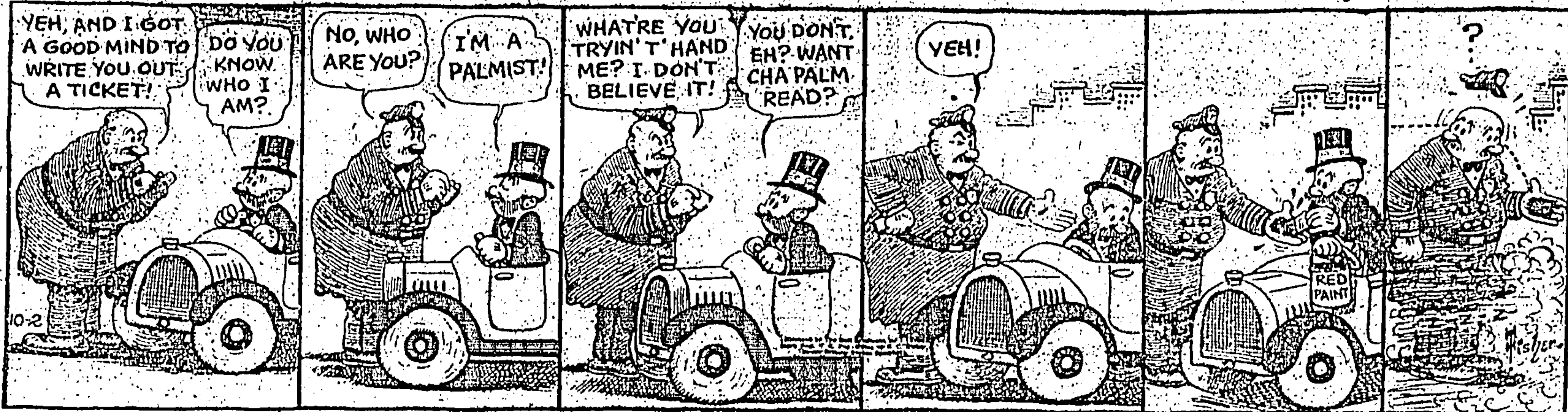
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DAVENTRY'S
NEW TASK

Carrying out Great Britain's determination to fight Germany to a finish, the British Broadcasting Corporation, aiming its strong shortwave beams toward America, New Zealand, India and the South Seas, stands to the front on the radio dial. With the French broadcasting system out of the picture, the B.B.C. has a new job now. It is trying to carry on in the air for the French as well as itself and a new station on 11.82 megacycles has been added.

Since the signing of the Franco-German armistice, which clamps down on any radio broadcasting in unoccupied French territories, the B.B.C., in addition to regular broadcasts of bulletins in French, has sent special programmes to French-speaking peoples begging them to rally to the cause regardless of the dictates of the Reich.

Captain Andre Maurois, speaking from London, has added his plea to stand by. Talking shortly after the German blight hit France, he said:

"When one is asked to speak of a beloved friend who has been wounded in combat, one is inclined to be silent. For one is sad. Yet, after a little, it is a relief to talk. And so, my countrymen, I say to you now, Do not give up hope. The spirit of France is not dead. Cezanne, Villon, Jeanne d'Arc can never die."

"SO FAR ALL
IS WELL"

A letter full of spirit and courage has been received here from an old lady of eighty, now living in England. Despite three or four air raid alarms daily over her town she carries on as usual, talking them as a matter of course, and saying "so far all is well." She is living in Bromley, a suburb of London, 16 miles outside the city proper, and on the main road to the coast, that many raiders pass overhead towards the metropolis.

The letter follows:—

'Planes Over Every Day

"No doubt you wonder how we are all getting on here! Very calmly and quietly and so far all is well. But we have 'planes over us every day—and sometimes three or four times a day! Three nights last week they came 9 p.m. and stayed till 4 a.m., one night an hour less. Whenever the siren goes we are ordered to 'take cover,' several go to the shelters, some stay at their own risk in their houses. I go to Mrs.—in No. 36. Her House is quite safe—downstairs and in the bathroom. A son-in-law understands all about buildings.

If a raid gets bad and we feel the 'planes are nearer than we like,—we go into the bathroom and others remain in the kitchen, which is very comfortable, with an Ideal stove. Mrs.—occupies a camp-bed and I have a long chair

with rugs. Yesterday morning I was in my bath when the siren went—but managed to dress somehow. We had three or four in the daytime yesterday, besides the one at 9 p.m.! This morning we had just begun service when it started; so we had to disperse. It lasted only a short time, and we were able to return to have the service—no sermon. Just after dinner came another—so we go on.

Caught In Cinema

"The weather is glorious, and the stars at 4.20 a.m., when we came to our beds, were beautiful and made me say 'The heavens declare the glory of God.'"

"The people in the Odeon Cinema on Wednesday night were caught by the siren, and had to stay till 4 a.m. There are many shelters in the town, so it is not difficult to get under cover, but I would not like to be caught."

BILL
BLASTER
TAKES
THE AIR

"Lord" Haw-Haw, Germany's ex-public entertainer No. 1, has lost his No. 1 imposition to a new "star"—Bill Blaster, the Crimson Cockney, writes the "Sunday Dispatch."

Bill's is a twice-nightly turn. He speaks from the "Workers' Challenge Station"—one of four new German efforts at propaganda in English. And he swears.

Haw-Haw has lost his public because he couldn't keep up his original suave and amusing sarcasm. Nowadays he often drops into tiresome, nervous hysteria. Bill hopes to recapture your attention—by Rabelaisian abuse of the British leaders.

"Mr. b—Morrison has been opening his mawth," says the Crimson Cockney. "Ee has been miking a grite offensive. 'The only b— offensive he mikes is against the workin' class.'"

Factories are going up in smoke. Docks are being 'be—d up.' And our leaders are "fat b— reptiles," "fat lousy—" and "dirty skunks"—to say nothing of "rotten scarn-drels."

R.A.F. planes are so rotten that pilots are afraid to go up in the air!

"Why shouldn't we be bosses for a chinge?" he cries.

He wants the "a-Boll-ishon" of many things, including leaders who "ratted from the working classness."

He is disgusted by the general "incompetence."

"To poor Mr. Morrison he says, 'You are a hell of a b— reformer, you are! You have to be ca' outer the bag.' But the 'Nassels' are just another kind of capitalist class."

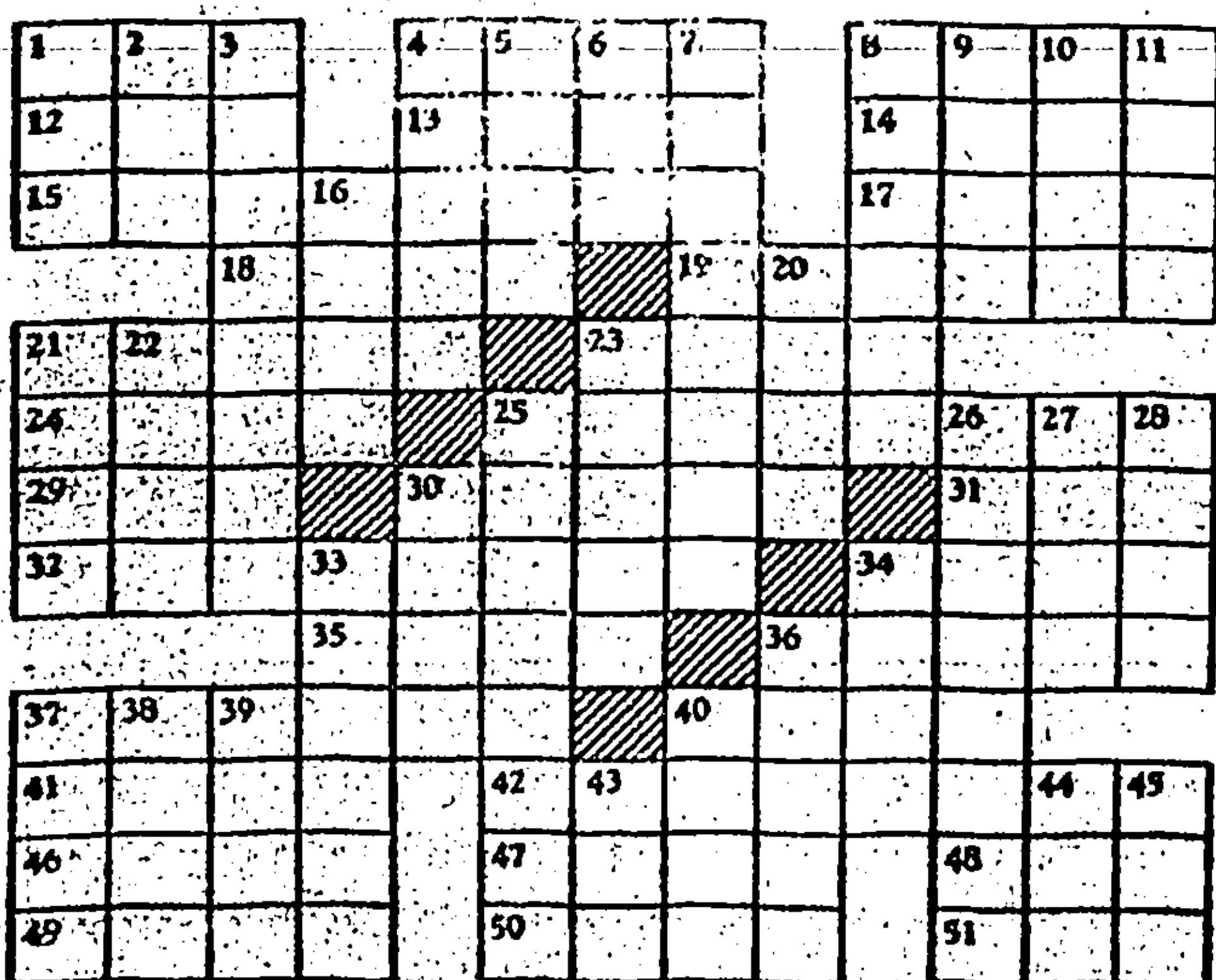
"It is only necessary for a few million workers to go on the streets."

"The bloated fools in Downing Street cawn't stop us."

"So, art on the streets while there still is time." Oh, I almost forgot. When you demonstrate in Downing Street don't mind the "coppers." The British "crard" won't stand for them using their sticks. The bosses will run like rats.

Anyway, why should a few "b—" old men dictate to you because they have a bank balance? Sez Bill Blaster, the Crimson Cockney.

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



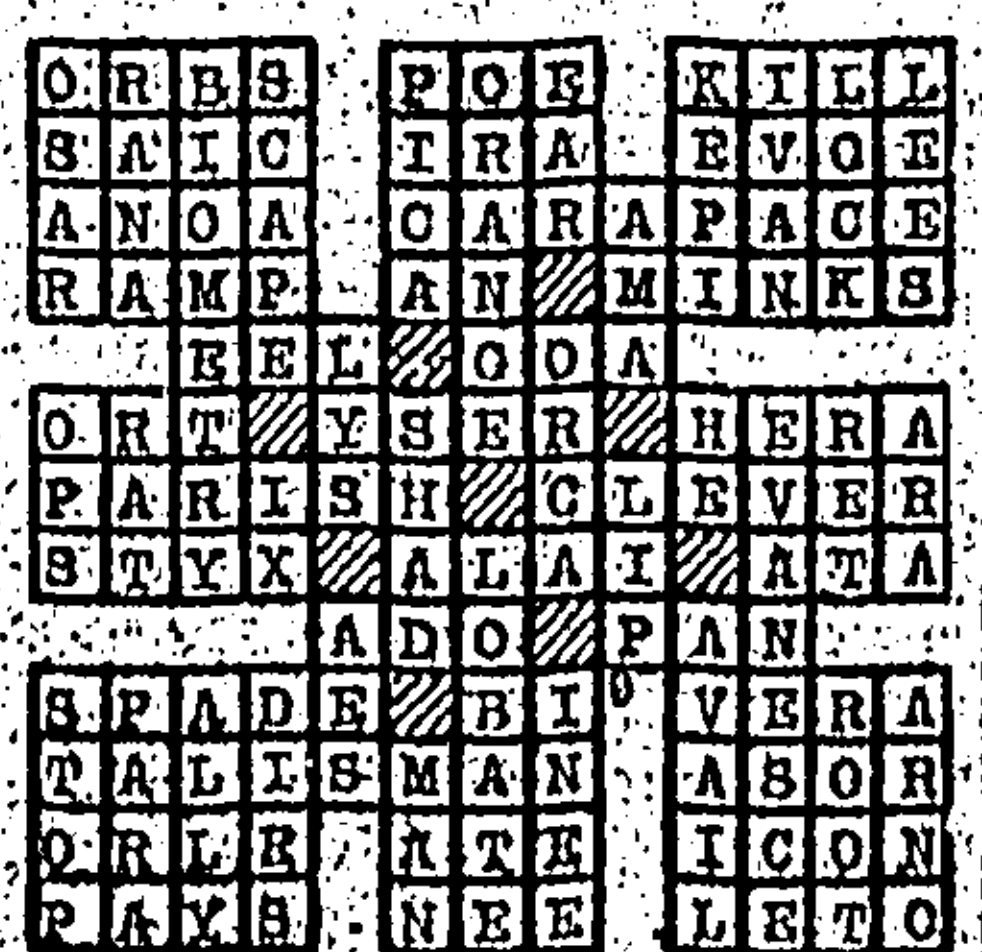
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Tooth
- 4 Dull
- 8 Infant
- 12 Part of 'to be'
- 13 Wasteland
- 14 Ardour
- 15 Answer
- 17 Card game
- 18 Story
- 19 Fruits of the oak tree
- 21 To trim
- 23 Former ruler
- 24 Unusual
- 25 Caution
- 29 Number
- 30 Tends
- 31 Head organ
- 32 Reserve
- 34 Frog genus
- 35 Narrow opening
- 36 Tiresome persons
- 37 To pick out
- 40 Algerian seaport
- 41 Mind entrance
- 42 To manage by contrivance

VERTICAL

- 1 Vehicle
- 2 Crude metal
- 3 Expressive movements of the hands
- 4 Soap plant
- 5 Not any
- 6 Dawn goddess
- 7 To prize highly
- 8 Rather than
- 9 Wing-shaped
- 10 Stable
- 11 Man's name
- 16 Piece of glass
- 20 Scoundrels
- 21 To police
- 22 Hindu princess
- 23 Treatise
- 25 Confrate
- 26 Proximity
- 27 Walking stick
- 28 Epochs
- 30 Soft rock
- 33 Poisonous African fly
- 34 Kind of horse
- 36 Newly-married woman
- 37 German river
- 38 Collection of Icelandic literature
- 39 Covers
- 40 Curved molding
- 43 Biblical name
- 44 To devour
- 45 Inlet

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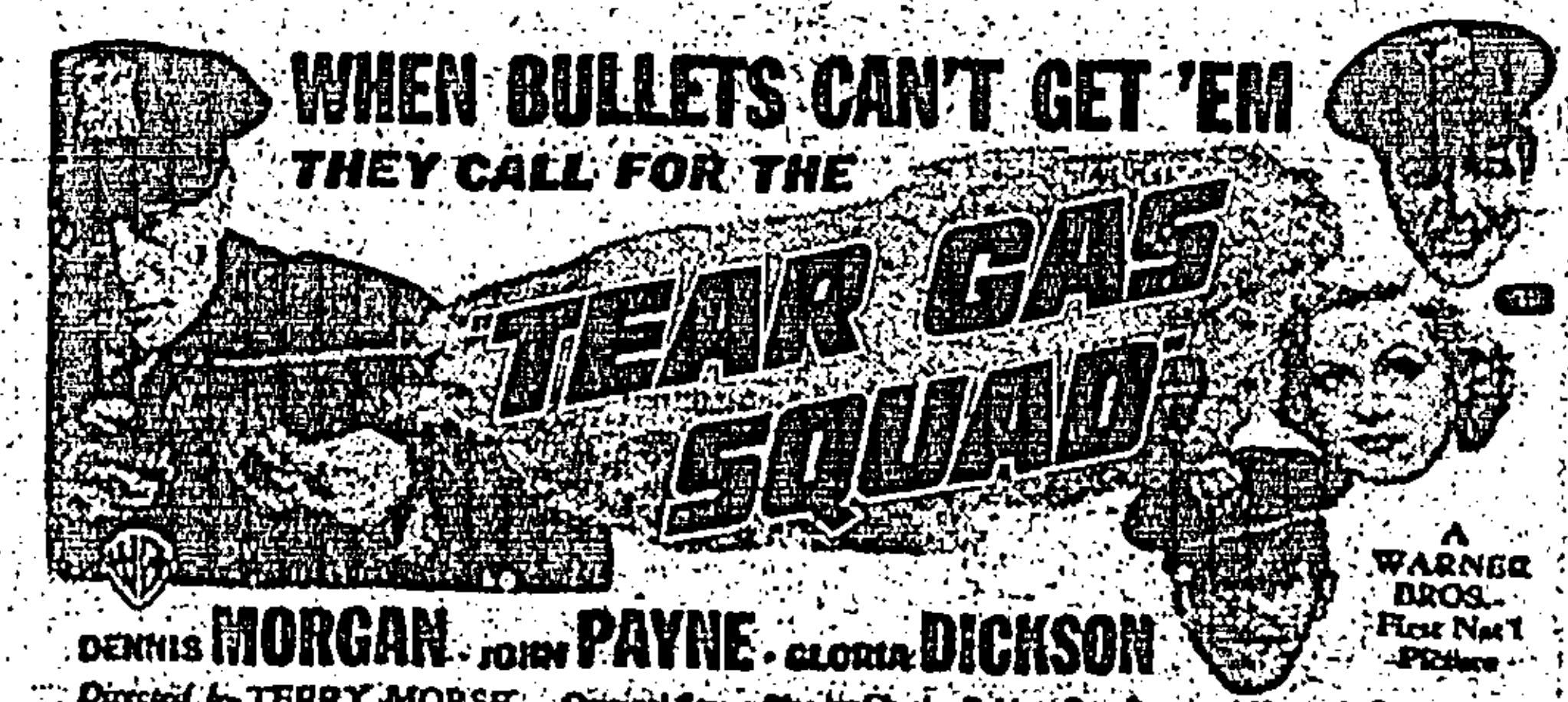
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Drama, comedy and romance centre around Warner Baxter and Andrea Leeds in the 20th Century-Fox motion picture "Earthbound," which comes to the King's Theatre to-day. Through spectacular motion picture magic, Baxter is projected on the screen as a ghost in this amazing film.

RAIDERS GUNNED FIRE FIGHTERS

When Nazi raiders made their first daylight attack on a large North-West town one evening people were just going in for the second houses at the theatres and the centre of the town was packed. Some hours later the Nazis came again and set on fire a big building.

This acted as a beacon for successive waves of bombers, who made it their target. Bombs were dropped all round, and firemen working on the blaze and people near by were machine-gunned.

The raids continued until early the following morning. Seven people were killed in one shelter, but high calibre bombs dropped near others without damaging them. Two planes were believed shot down by heavy anti-aircraft fire.

Longest Raid

In one industrial area several centres had their worst and longest air raid of the war, when people were in shelters during the night and early the next morning. Raiders came over in waves dropping a large number of high-explosive and incendiary bombs in many districts, where several fires were caused.

In one town a delayed-action bomb exploded several hours after the raiders had passed and caused casualties.

In another town a high-explosive bomb fell on to a gas main and caused a fire which brought other raiders to the spot and several other bombs were dropped nearby.

Seven Hour Visit

A few people were killed and a number injured, many of them seriously, in another industrial town in the North-West, which had its most intensive and prolonged raid lasting about seven hours.

One of the victims, a man, was driving his car when the car was hit by an incendiary bomb. The car was burned out and the man himself was burned to death. A few yards away a high-explosive bomb landed in the roadway and killed a girl.

People on their way home from places of entertainment late that night spent more than four hours in the public shelters when a North-West town had its fourth successive night raid. There was a small number of casualties.

At one theatre back-stage workers were still clearing up when a light-calibre bomb struck a ten-storey commercial building next door.

A bomb fell in a street of houses in a working-class district. Three of the houses were demolished. The families in two of these were safe in shelters, but a man and his wife in the third house were buried beneath brickwork and other debris and had to be dug out.

They were both taken to hospital suffering from shock, but were discharged later.

GERMAN THREAT UNWORKABLE

A New York economist told representatives of America's mining industry they have little to fear from "the threat of Germany to outlaw gold in the event of her victory in the present conflict," states the "Christian Science Monitor."

Barter cannot be used as a substitute for gold and Germany does not prefer barter regardless of statements by leaders whose word has failed in the past, economist Thomas M. McNiece declared at the Metal Mining Convention of the American Mining Congress. The present or eventual effects of war conditions on several metals were discussed in a symposium recently.

Threat Discounted

Discounting what he called a German threat to demonetise gold and establish a world-wide system of barter Mr. McNiece said Germany's barter efforts to date were undertaken as "a last resort when her gold and foreign exchange reserves were exhausted."

As she has taken over one country after another, Germany has reached for nothing more quickly than for the gold and other financial assets of those

B. B. C. HAS ITS OWN HOME GUARD

In normal times it is not an easy matter to enter the portals of the British Broadcasting Corporation. Now that the British Broadcasting Corporation has its own staff of keen-eyed Home Guardsmen it is almost as easy to go through the proverbial eye of a needle as to invade the precincts of a British Broadcasting station.

An announcer, whose tones please you as he reads the news bulletin, puts a sterner ring into his voice, when, dressed in uniform and holding his rifle at the ready, he protects the temples.

There are about one thousand members of the Home Guard protecting by day and by night the 26 stations of the British Broadcasting Corporation in various parts of Britain and there is little danger of a studio being invaded by Nazi agents as occurred in Vienna when Dollfuss was assassinated.

Immediately the Local Defence Volunteer movement was started there was a rush of applicants and the Home Guard is now representative of every section of the Corporation's staff.

No visitor is immune from scrutiny and even Miss Elizabeth Cowell, the woman announcer, whose features were so familiar in the days of television, has to show her pass.

Rifle Instruction

The Home Guard of the B.B.C. take their duties very seriously. The Corporation employs many ex-Service men who give drill and rifle instruction and in the provinces especially the military authorities have lent their aid.

Drilling is done in the studios and shooting experience is gained on rifle ranges, some of which were used by the rifle section of the British Broadcasting Corporation before the war. The work is engendering a happy spirit of comradeship.

countries," the New Yorker declared.

Technically, barter can not work unless we revert to living standards of many centuries ago. This in itself would promote revolutions all over the world.

Even if it could be made to work, barter would require complete and unqualified multi-lateral cooperation throughout the world — a condition impossible to realise.

The free operation of foreign exchange markets provides a place where international debtors and creditors meet, barter their obligations and settle the differences with gold. The only reason for differences is that obligations cannot be made to balance by this barter if balances are to disappear, somebody has to take less goods.



The love-triangle in "Earthbound," the 20th Century-Fox film at the King's Theatre—Andrea Leeds (left), Warner Baxter and Lynn Bari. Baxter is the "man who isn't there," for he appears as a ghost in this film, thanks to clever Hollywood trick photography.



ALLY OF VIOLENCE

It is not the new allies the Axis may advertise, but the old ones Reichsfuehrer Hitler does not now talk so much about, that are still the most important allies of violence, the most formidable enemies of order and freedom.

A reminder of this is afforded by a letter written by a French officer to an American, and printed in the "New York Times." A very few words in this letter explain the strange behaviour of the French Government in the days just before its armistice with the Third Reich, and indeed, ever since. Why was the French Navy not kept beyond the reach of the Nazis? Why was the naval battle of Oran necessary between erstwhile friends? Why has France shown a willingness to capitulate to the enemies of freedom in Berlin and in Tokyo, and yet mustered a bitter capacity for resistance to the just claims of the defender of its own freedom, Great Britain?

Because some Frenchmen were more ready to take whatever comfort the Nazis would allow them, even at the price of liberty and self-respect, than to continue to stand with whatever remaining power they had against a predatory and tyrannical foe. This is the answer to be found in the French officer's letter.

To quote directly from the published version:

The two thoughts that might have made it possible to resign ourselves to the catastrophe, the good will of the Germans and their rapid victory over the English, both seem to be without foundation.

The italics explain so much. This is a letter recording French disappointment with the way things have gone since the German occupation of France. It speaks of current "systematic pillage" and the reviving hope of most of the now disillusioned French people that they will "be liberated."

The French are not alone in having harboured moral enemies within. Individuals everywhere have to face the temptation to escape the trial that confronts free men

In these terrible days the Briton in the United States cannot be far from the new editions that the evening press pours out and the wireless news that comes nearly every hour and can be heard in most private cars and taxi-cabs and offices.

"London Bombed," "Milton's Church Destroyed" scream the headlines, but the biggest type was reserved for "Berlin Bombed." There is no neutrality in the faces as they read the war news, and when you turn to the punctilious correctness of the leaders in most of the papers expressing surprise, even indignation, because the British announcements and German announcements of air victories and losses do not square it seems very odd indeed. The German communiqués usually come out before the British, so the day usually begins badly here with the German stories and claims holding the front page, but as the day goes on and the British reports arrive with the British achievements and corrections of the German stories the last edition is usually the most heartening. So far I have not seen any buttons with "Up England" on them, but

there will probably soon be some expression of the swelling popular sentiment for our fight.

The British visitor now finds fewer commiserating glances from new acquaintances. The average American after the fall of France

By
JAMES BONE

did not think we had a dog's—certainly not a bulldog's—chance. In the delectable city of Baltimore people are very polite and take some questioning before they will talk, but from shopmen and clerks and mechanics I have had the same answer: that we were in pretty bad case, but it is different

Desert As A Factor In Strategy

By
Walter Fitzgerald

As the campaign in the inhospitable region of North East Africa develops the environmental advantages are, for the time being at least, on the side of the defending forces. Egypt and Ethiopia, strongholds of British and Italian power respectively, are each enclosed and largely isolated from the continental interior by great stretches of desert or poor scrubland where an invading army would find it impossible to live on the country. So far each of these strongholds has proved to be easily defensible, if we except sporadic air-raiding on both sides.

In this war, as in those of the past which have involved the Mediterranean Basin, the Lower Nile Valley offers the richest territorial prize. A victorious Power would not merely gain control of this only land in North East Africa capable—because of adequate water supplies—of intense cultivation throughout the entire year, but would also dominate the canal-and-sea route to the Indian Ocean, thereby strangling the British sea-way to the Far East.

Italy's Weak Points

Fortunately the enemy's position is weakened by the wide separation from each other of the two groups of Italian colonies, and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan interposes a wedge nearly 900 miles wide between the Libyan and Ethiopian frontiers. Moreover, the recent extension of

to-day. The French officer's letter discloses the moral bankruptcy to which this temptation can bring one—not only to the surrender of one's own rights but to a willingness, no, an eagerness, to see other defenders of those rights quickly defeated. The Axis may boast a new ally, but the boast holds no such dangers as those voiced by a friend of free men in France who has seen another sort of ally take over his own country for aggressors.

Italian rule over Ethiopia has not much affected the strategic situation because of the enemy's complete dependence on the home country for reinforcements of men and all war material. No part of Italian Africa produces, even in time of peace, sufficient food and other commodities for the resident European population; virtually everything must be brought across the Mediterranean, and particularly is this true of petrol, coal, and manufactured goods of all types. The Italian Empire was until 1936 an empire of desert only, and the annexation of Ethiopia has been too recent to permit of any important agricultural or industrial development.

Italy finds that her air fleet cannot solve her geographical problem. Transport planes are of little use for the carriage of heavy military equipment in view of the enormous distances involved. From the main Italian bases on the coast of Libya to Addis Ababa, capital of Italian East Africa, nearly 2,000 miles have to be traversed. Add to this the difficulties of transporting supplies from Italy to Libya in the teeth of a relentless naval blockade by Britain, and the reinforcement of armies in Italian East Africa is seen to be a virtual impossibility. Ethiopia is besieged, and its Italian garrison will be starved out unless Mussolini is able to conquer Egypt.

Meanwhile the attack on the Nile Valley hangs fire, and the delay is attributable to the difficulties which geography imposes. Given the British Navy's supremacy in the Eastern Mediterranean—which is now assured—the Italian army in Libya, certainly not less than a quarter of a million strong, cannot be regularly supplied from Italy. Its very size is a burden. Being intended mainly for offensive action, it is too large for garrison purposes only, yet as soon as it moves eastwards towards Egypt its problems of supply are multiplied.

Much the greater part of Libya is irreclaimable desert, and its vast size on the map must not deceive us as to its small economic value. Italian military power there is concentrated within the narrow Mediterranean fringe where a small winter rainfall is

now. "We thought you'd go like the Dutch and the Frenchies," they say, "but we got it wrong, and so did Hitler. Maybe you'll beat him."—It is only here and there you hear someone say that "it's time we helped you," but when that is said it is said with characteristic American emphasis. It was a tremendous relief to those of the Republican party who were all for aid to England when, in spite of the bosses and party heads, Willkie was so surprisingly selected as the Republican candidate for President, as he took the same stand as Roosevelt on that issue.

But they had to face the apparition behind Willkie of McNary, the Republican candidate for the Vice-Presidency, who succeeded in leaving people in doubt whether he supported Willkie or not on this issue, and other leaders, Dewey, Taft and Vanderberg, still

received. Also within this fringe are found the farming colonists from Southern Italy, who, to the number of about 50,000, have been planted, at tremendous expense, in the last few years.

Routes Across The Libyan Desert

The narrow but comparatively fertile northern margin of Libya provides the obvious route, with the most abundant supplies of water, for an army moving on Egypt, but its maritime position would give the British fleet full opportunity of hammering its lines of communication. Consequently the enemy's strategy does not rule out one or two alternative routes farther south, in the desert proper and outside the range of naval guns.

All routes to the Nile are dependent upon the oases which occur but rarely throughout the sandy and waterless Libyan Desert. Between the oases stretch vast areas of sand-dune a terrain which provides the hardest possible going for an army, and because the going would be slow, water would have to be carried. In the cases of the two main routes the distances between the oases are excessive for a large, heavily equipped army. The northern and most feasible way would be from Jaghbub to Siwa, just inside the desert frontier of Egypt, and then on by various possible tracks to reach the Nile downstream from Assiut. The distance from the Libyan frontier to the Nile by this route is approximately 500 miles.

Another route, at the outset more difficult because less accessible than the first from the maritime bases of Libya, is provided with fewer oases, so that the waterless stretches are longer. If it were used by an Italian army, as seems rather unlikely, the great Kufara group of oases, formerly the headquarters of the powerful Senussi confederation and 500 miles from the Libyan coast, would provide the starting-point. From there the nearest Egyptian oasis within Egypt is Dakhla, over 400 miles away, and this distance would be virtually impossible except for a lightly-armed raiding force.

Our argument has considered only the physical difficulties confronting an Italian offensive adventure. We have not taken into account the strength of the Anglo-Egyptian defending forces. Yet that strength is likely to grow until by its very counter-offensive power the Italian attempt would be doomed, even if the enemy's overseas and trans-desert communications were more secure than they actually are.

unsevered from their isolationist past. Again, Senator Hiram Johnson, who is senior Republican and so, if Willkie won might have been head of the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs, and Hamilton Fish, who on party precedents would have become head of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, are arch-isolationists. To queries how Willkie could possibly carry out the "aid for Britain" policy of his acceptance speech when there were few signs of the Republican party's coming into line with him, his friends replied rather cynically that these leaders are swinging in the popular current and responding to events and would accept Willkie's full programme.

Any picture of the United States would not be complete that did not include some instances of discouragement.

At a luncheon in Detroit, where I found many warm friends of Britain, some of them working incessantly for active intervention, I was placed next to one of its leading journalists. I was anxious at the time to clear up the constitutional position about the over-age destroyers and asked help on the point. Very deliberately came a reply to the effect that never since the Atlantic Ocean met the Pacific Ocean had there been a man like That Man at the White House. Anything more despicable, more dishonest, more disruptive of all that was best, &c. It was like a page from Dickens's caricature of a remote America. Twice again I sought to get from my professional colleagues the destroyer question straightened out, but each time it was the same—what was the good of discussing any international question or to expect anything fight to be done so long as the government of the United States was in the hands of the most unparalleled lot of crooks and bunglers who ever disgraced, &c., &c. It is a not-negligible part of the well-to-do Middle West and the East which thinks like that, although most would not express it so naively. Everything That Man does, they say, is tainted; there is a double motive behind what seem his most sensible acts. Many senators, have said openly that the President's approval of the course charted for the refugee ship American Legion—it turned out that the American naval experts had approved the course—was deliberately done by the President so that the ship should be sunk and the refugees killed and that, as a result, the United States would enter the war!

It must be realised that there is nothing in British politics in modern times that helps us to understand the bitterness and suspicion among the majority of business Americans against President Roosevelt. But some of these critics, unlike my Detroit friend, put the fight against Hitler and the protection of democracy first. An anti-New Dealer in Cleveland, for instance, wrote to me before the Republican Convention to say that if his party put up a candidate with the slightest suspicion of isolationism he and thousands of Republicans would "hold their noses and vote for Roosevelt."

Another body of opinion that is equally unsatisfactory to us is a quickly decreasing group which thinks that aid to Britain may be throwing away good weapons, for we may not be able to hold out long. This argument has been used about the destroyers. "Show us you can hold Hitler," they say. It is being admitted by some of them now that Britain is holding him, but the slogan suggested for this group is "It's too early to help Britain till it's too late to help Britain." It is still too soon to say whether the swing of public opinion which one seems to discern everywhere towards the United States taking some little risk in her aid to Britain has yet reached a sticking-point.



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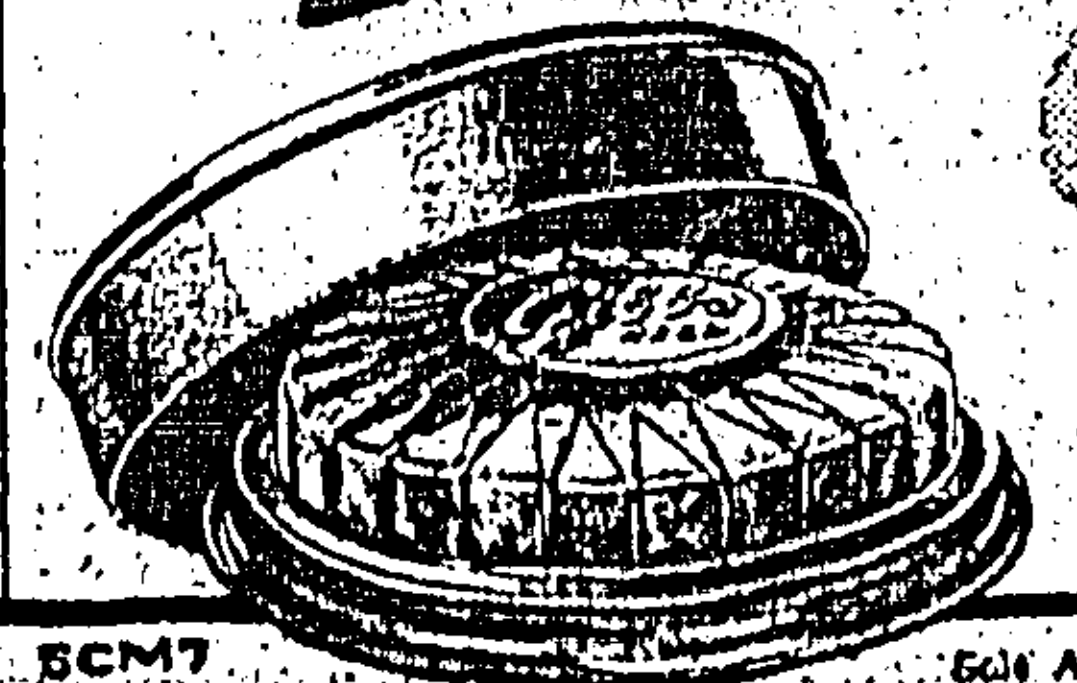
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BLITZPOLITIK'S WORLD MAP SURVEY

THE REDRAFTING of the world map by "the dynamic have-nots" undertaken in the midst of a war against "the static, saturated and senile world plutocracies" — such is the acknowledged aim of the tripartite pact of the Reich, Italy and Japan, signed in Berlin, reports the "New York Times." The technique of the pact's conclusion was itself a striking example of the new totalitarian Blitzpolitik — worthy diplomatic corollary of the military Blitzkrieg — which once before startled the world by the conclusion of the Hitler-Stalin pact of August, 1939.

Free from the traditions and inhibitions of old-style diplomacy, the pact's signatories boldly drew pencil lines over both hemispheres, dividing the world into four major Grossraume, — namely, Western Europe with Africa, the Soviet Union, Great East Asia and the Americas. Two of these "large spaces" — the European-African space dominated by the Axis powers and the Asiatic dominated by Japan — are forthwith to form one bloc united by political and military alliance. This bloc of two Grossraume faces the two remaining continental "spaces," the Soviet Union and the Americas, disunited geographically and politically.

The boldness of the conceptions of the new pact for world division causes the German press to recall the only precedent of similar historic magnitude, when in 1494 Pope Alexander VI drew over the globe a line delimitating the spheres of the Spanish and Portuguese colonial empires.

Where asked what is the common denominator of the three outwardly so different partners in the new pact, Germans point to their "youth," high birth rates and density of population rather than the questionable affinity between Nazism and Fascism on the one hand and Japanese Shintoism on the other. The term "youth," constantly used as a common characteristic of Germans, Italians and Japanese in public documents and addresses of leading statesmen, sounds strange considering that at least two of these peoples are looking back on a history of thousands of years. The answer to such doubts is that the term youth must be interpreted spiritually as meaning youthful aggressiveness of old peoples who have awakened to a new life.

The world's future map as redrafted in Berlin still leaves some spots as undistributed no-man's land among the four great politico-economic blocs, but its most significant and most ominous feature is the disappearance of wide spaces and small dots spread over both hemispheres and painted in the colours of the British Empire. It is a timely reminder that realisation of the new world plan is contingent on the destruction of "an unorganic agglomeration of lands and territories, based on centuries of conquests and depredations, completely unjustified geographically and economically," as the Nazi and Fascist press usually characterises the far-flung British Empire.

Room For Speculation

While the world's division in four great blocs is clearly stated or implied in the pact and the accompanying speeches of the Axis and Japanese statesmen, a more precise delimitation of their respective interest spheres—or, using the new term instead of the old diplomatic parlance, "power spheres"—is lacking in the published documents and therefore left to the imagination and speculation of neutral observers.

This lack of definition, whether intentional or not, is particularly noticeable regarding Japan's future "power sphere." No doubt, is left that continental Europe west of the Soviet Union and the greater part of Africa is to form the "power sphere" of the Axis powers, the Reich and Italy.

Regarding the delimitation between the Nazi Reich and the Italian empire there can be little doubt that Scandinavia, the Low Countries and France are expected to follow Berlin's orbit, while the Mediterranean, with the possible inclusion of Spain, is considered the Italian domain. The position of the Balkan countries is more ambiguous, inasmuch as

theoretically both Germany and Italy claim political and economic influence in this part of Europe. It will be safe to say that the actual influence of each country in south-eastern Europe will be determined by the power balance between them and that in present circumstances Berlin will have at least the say in all matters pertaining to the Balkans, with the possible exception of Greece, as a predominantly Mediterranean state.

No "Africa For The Africans"

The ideological slogan "Asia for the Asiatics," justifying the plans for Japan's domination of East Asia, finds no parallel in a similar formula of "Africa for the Africans." Moreover, explicitly, or implicitly, Africa is considered a mere appendage of an Axis-dominated Europe. The air-tight secretiveness of totalitarian diplomacy has prevented any leakage of reliable information regarding the Berlin-Rome plans for Africa's division recently discussed by Foreign Minister von Ribbentrop and Premier Mussolini in Rome, but it is generally assumed in neutral Berlin circles that the Italian partner will have first choice and the main influence in Northern Africa, including Egypt, while the Reich's aspirations are for a colonial empire in Central Africa stretching from the Atlantic to the Indian Ocean and embracing a part of the former German colonies, the Belgian Congo and former British territories.

The Soviet Union's "Lebensraum," which the signatories of the Berlin pact have undertaken to respect in Article V, seems more difficult to define. Finland in the north and Outer Mongolia, with the possible addition of Chinese Turkestan, probably belong indisputably to Russia's "power sphere."

The Soviet Union's interest in the Balkans and possibly the Straits, the Bosphorus, and the Dardanelles, is the most delicate point in a situation characterised politically and militarily by the fact that Moscow must now feel as a reality on its Western and Eastern borders the pincers of the German-Japanese military alliance.

The pact, in defending Japan's "power sphere," uses the ambiguous term "Great East Asiatic space." Its ambiguity is further enhanced by the Japanese statesmen and press using the still more indefinite term "Great Asiatic space." Manchoukuo, the greater part of China, whether at present conquered by the Japanese or not, Indo-China and Thailand (Siam), as the only important independent state of south-eastern Asia, probably belong to the Japanese sphere as seen by the Axis partners.

Japanese economic interests in the Netherlands Indies probably also are recognised by Berlin and Rome, but whether the Reich intends in case of a victorious termination of the war to present to Japan its political claims on the



One of Hollywood's outstanding "heavies," Brian Donlevy plays the role of the brutal Foreign Legion sergeant, "Markoff," described by his men as a "human hyena," in the new "Beau Geste," which will have its local screening at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

Indies, derived from occupation of the motherland, appears now premature speculation.

Japanese Designs On Philippines

A similar uncertainty prevails regarding the Philippines, but it will be a safe guess that Axis encouragement for eventual Japanese plans in the Philippine Islands will depend on the degree of German-American tension in the war.

The most important implication of the Berlin pact in regard to the Far East is that it virtually gives Japan carte blanche in dealing with European and American interests in that part of the globe, and the Axis powers will have equally little or no means of checking or moderating Japanese Far Eastern policy in regard to "European, including German and Italian interests, as Britain or France, in the present state of the world."

That the pact's spearhead is directed against the United States is undeniable in Berlin despite the fact that America is not mentioned in the pact's text. Nevertheless, officially Germans acknowledge theoretically the validity of the Monroe Doctrine and merely assert it is violated in practice by the United States' "intervention" in European affairs in England's support.

Likewise the United States' right to the economic organisation of the western hemisphere is theoretically not questioned and often is even regarded as copying the Reich's own Grossraum conceptions, but practically the German press constantly points out that South America economically is tied up with Europe, since the United States is unable to absorb export surpluses. Also warnings were sounded recently in the German press lest the United States should try to gain control of Britain's "world monopolies" of war materials, whose destruction often has been described as the principal war aim of the totalitarian States.

NAZI WHO LED RECENT RAIDS

The leader of the German air-men in a number of recent raids on England is a veteran pilot extremely well known at British civilian airports before the war, who has been specially selected for the job owing to his knowledge of London, says the "Daily Telegraph."

When war broke out he was a commercial pilot for the German airline with which Imperial Airways linked up at Berlin for Vienna and South-Eastern Europe.

Two R.A.F. fighter squadrons on the South-East Coast have a wager as to which shall be the first to "down" the German. As far as possible, they try to tackle him in turn.

Each squadron-leader has on one occasion almost got him, but both times he got clear by what is described as "a really brilliant piece of flying."

The squadron eventually successful in accounting for him will be entertained at dinner by their rivals.

SHANGHAI LAD JOINS EAST SURREYS

CONDITIONS AS A recruit with the East Surreys in Singapore and an adventurous expedition through the jungle at night, when the ferry in which the party were riding got lost, are described in a letter received by the parents of one of the Shanghai boys who recently left to join up. After certain probation and training in the ranks, recruits from Shanghai will be given an opportunity to obtain commissions, the letter says. The letter follows:—

"Since last week, nothing of any importance has happened. In my last letter I was 'enlisted in the Army,' now I am still in the same position.

"The day after I posted my last letter I went to the East Surrey's stores to draw part of my kit. The stores are located about 20 miles away, so you can imagine the long ride I had. We left at about 4 p.m. and got to our destination at 4.45 p.m., after riding through jungles, swamps, etc., etc., rather like a scene taken from 'Trader Horn' or 'Sanders of the River.' On the way back — it was very dark by then — the driver, who did not know the country very well, having only just come from Shanghai, took a wrong turning, and we found ourselves deep in thick jungle, and in my imagination I could almost hear the crocodiles — or are they alligators? — snapping their jaws! We saw dozens of monkeys in the trees, chattering away like a bunch of old women, and eyeing us with suspicion. It was great trying to get out of that maze, and eventually we struck a road which was known to the driver. When we got back to camp we found that they were getting rather worried about us, and I am sure if we had been away for another hour or so there would have been a search party sent out for us.

Winding Roads

"To give you an idea of the winding roads we took, I must mention that one moment the moon was in front of us, then it would swing round to the left, and after disappearing into a cloud, appear at our rear. After that, we would find it was on our right, and so it went on. All this was on the one road, not as you may think, on different ones.

"Once I am settled down — this phrase is getting somewhat stale, isn't it? — I shall be given a chance of a commission. After serving for three months in the ranks, and if the Commanding Officer thinks you are suitable, an opportunity will be given in the Officers' Training Corps, where training will be given for the purpose of taking a 2nd Lieutenant's commission. Won't it be grand if I manage to get one pip!

"Yesterday we had a bit of excitement in camp. Somebody had emptied a tankful of gasoline on to the ground, and about ten minutes afterwards a cigarette end was thrown there by one of the soldiers passing by. Immediately a sheet of flame enveloped the petrol-soaked ground, and threatened the tents. As I was near the scene, I saw the start of the fire, and felt the terrific heat. When the fire call was sounded the men came running up from all directions and commenced to fight it and prevent the tents, cars, etc., from being burnt. I helped by shovelling sand and mud on to try to smother the flames. At one stage the excitement ran high when it was seen that one of the army trucks was surrounded by flames and it was feared the tank would explode. However, by hard and quick shovelling the flames were completely put out, and though the truck was badly scorched, the tank did not explode, for which we were thankful.

Better Cinemas

"I went down town yesterday with a couple of chaps and saw the picture 'Earthbound' at the Cathay Theatre. The show was quite good and the shorts were excellent, not like the trash sometimes shown in Shanghai. The theatre is simply wonderful! The lighting effects were marvellous,

and the sound perfect. It is a newly-built cinema and is considered the best in Singapore with which I am in complete agreement. We also saw pictures of the British soldiers marching down Nanking Road when

evacuating Shanghai. We got some very good news films here, showing Spitfires attacking the German bombers, etc., and although I know there is a certain amount of propaganda included, it certainly does me good to see them in action.

"It is very, very muggy at present, and even as I am writing I hear thunder in the distance, so I expect we shall get some rain to relieve the heat. I am very sunburnt, and if I continue as I am I shall be black in another three months.

"The Surreys will be moving to wooden huts in a short while — just as I was beginning to like living in a tent — and I shall be nearer town then.

"I have been eating a lot of pe-an-nas (the small, sweet bananas) coconuts, pineapples, etc. I have not seen any durians yet."

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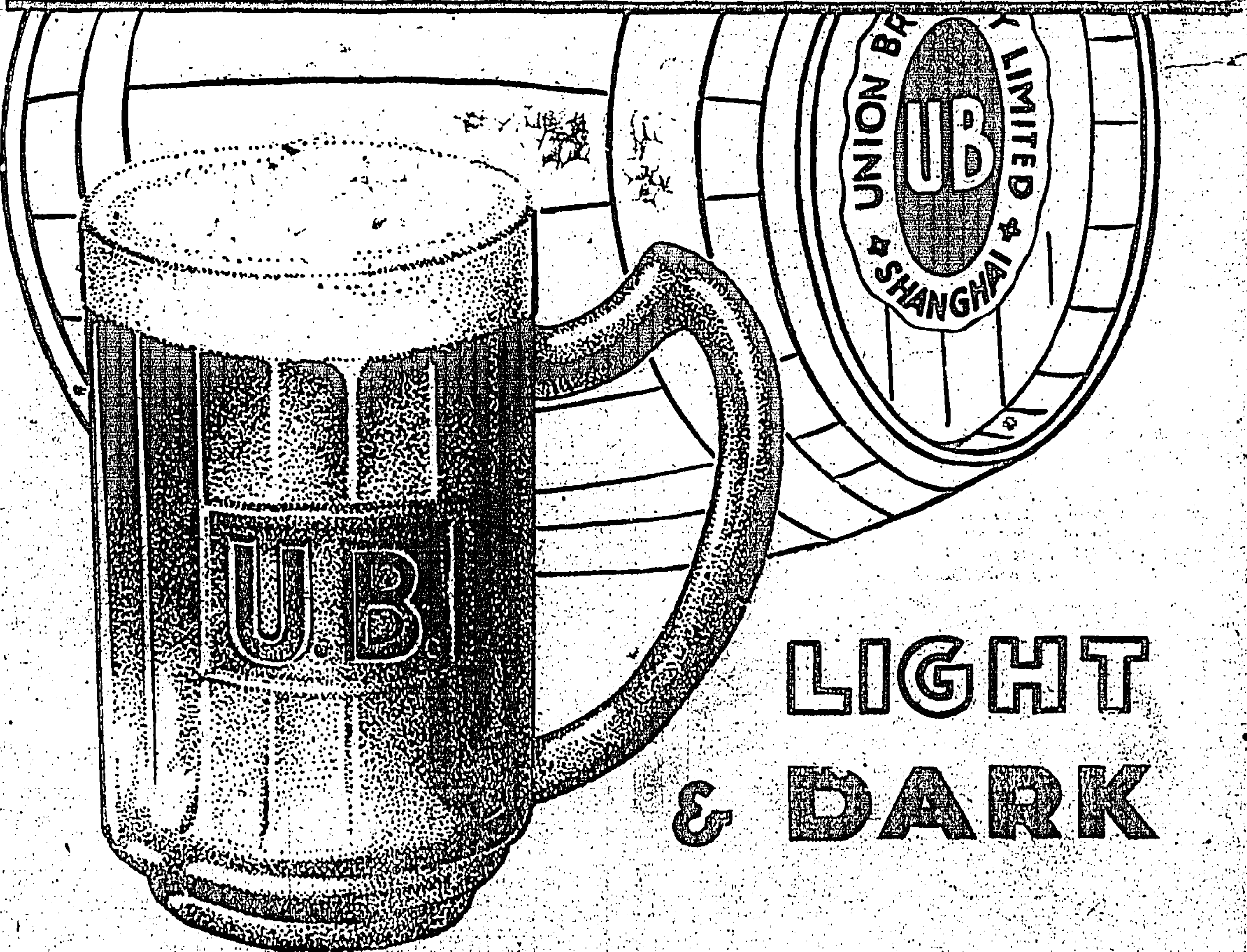
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By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th November, 1940.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price
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Hong Kong, 4th October, 1940.

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BRIDGE NOTES

A GOOD RAISE

By The Four Aces

One of the first things a player learns about good bidding is to raise partner's suit only with sufficient support for his trump suit. This lesson is so familiar that to-day's hand caused havoc among even fine players in the recent Asbury Park tournament.

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ 8 5 4 2
♥ A 7
♦ A Q J 8 5
♣ 8 4

♠ J 10 9
♥ 10 6 5 2
♦ 10 6 3
♣ A Q 5

♠ K 7 2
♥ 8 3 2
♦ 9 4 2
♣ K J 9 6

♠ A Q 6
♥ K Q J 9 4
♦ K 7
♣ 10 7 2

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 2♦ Pass
2♥ Pass 3♥ Pass
4♥ Pass Pass Pass Pass

North has what appears to be a problem at his second turn to bid. Some players attempted to pass the buck by bidding three diamonds, in the hope that South could carry on. But when this was done, South gave up the struggle. North's diamond bid and rebid indicated a hand with no fit for hearts and a general inability to play the hand at anything but a diamond contract. Since South's hand was not nearly strong enough to raise to game in diamonds or try no-trump despite North's sign-off, he simply passed North's three-diamond bid.

Other North players tried two no-trump — a truly horrible bid, since the North hand is devoid of stoppers in either of the unbid suits. Quite naturally the South players, in those cases went to three no-trump and the natural club opening speedily defeated that bad contract.

Thoughtful players realised that South's heart rebid showed a strong five-card or a six-card suit. In that case North's doubleton heart Ace was sufficient support. As long as North's strength called



Romantic Rowena says she goes to great lengths for romance—all her beaux are at least six foot tall.

for a second bid, the heart raise was safest and most constructive.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, vulnerable against non-vulnerable opponents, you held:

♠ A Q 7
♥ A K 6 3
♦ 9 5
♣ K J 7 4

The bidding:
You Partner Schenken Jacoby
1♥ Dbl. 2♥ Pass
(?)

ANSWER: Pass. Your partner has a very weak hand whose only redeeming feature is support for hearts. Game is practically out of the question, especially since the double locates most of the missing high cards at your left. You are reasonably safe where you are, but any further bid may get you into trouble.

Question No. 564

Score 100% for pass, 40% for two no-trump or three clubs, 30% for three hearts.

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner and, not vulnerable against vulnerable opponents, you hold:

♠ 8
♥ A K J 10 7 3
♦ K 9 7 4
♣ 8 5

The bidding:
You Partner Jacoby Schenken
1♥ Dbl. 2♥ Pass
(?)

What do you bid? (Answer To-morrow.)
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OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED



"That's strange—plenty of other women do their knitting at the movies!"

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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN Made Without Eggs

The housewife will certainly be glad these days of recipes for eggless dishes, and this week a cookery expert has prepared cakes, pies, and sweets — all without eggs.

Cheese Crisps

Put 4oz cheese through mincer and cream it with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter; add salt and cayenne to taste and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup flour. Form into a paste and place in ice chest until well chilled and firm. Roll out thinly on a lightly-floured board, cut into finger lengths, and place on unbuttered cooking trays. Place once more in ice chest until firm, then bake in a hot oven for about 7 or 8 minutes or until a light brown.

Vegetable Hot Pot

Parboil 3 cups diced potato; drain well and place a layer in the bottom of a well-greased glass ovenproof dish. Fry 3 thinly-sliced onions in 1 tablespoon margarine or good dripping until soft, but not too brown. Parboil 1 cup carrots, cut into strips about the size of a wooden match, also $\frac{1}{2}$ cup diced celery. Make a sauce with 1 tablespoon melted butter or dripping, add 1 tablespoon flour, cook a little, add 2 cups vegetable stock or milk, stir until thickens. Simmer for 5 minutes, then add pepper and salt to taste and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup grated cheese. Spread a layer of sauce over potatoes, then a layer of onions, etc., then another layer of sauce. Continue until dish is full, having sauce for top layer. Sprinkle with buttered crumbs and bake in moderate oven for 45 minutes.

Wafer Wafers

Sift 12oz plain flour, 2oz corn-flour, and a good pinch salt together. Rub in 3oz butter and mix with enough cold water to form a soft dough. Roll out

thinly, stamp out into rounds, prick with a fork, and bake in moderate oven for about 10 minutes. Store in airtight tins.

Apple Snowballs

Well wash 2 cups rice and pour on 2 cups boiling water and bring to boiling point. Add 2 cups milk and the thinly peeled rind of 1 lemon, good pinch salt and 2 tablespoons sugar. Cook until rice is tender and moisture absorbed. In the meantime, peel and core 6 medium cooking apples and fill centre with raisins or d'acs. Divide rice into as many portions as apples, press out carefully, then place a prepared apple on each and fold rice over apple, completely covering it. Tie in separate pieces buttered paper, then cloth, and boil for $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Turn out carefully and serve with cream or melted butter and sugar.

Butter Scrolls

Cream 6oz butter well, gradually add 2oz icing sugar, vanilla to taste, and 6oz sifted flour. Beat well until soft and creamy. Put mixture into a forcing tube with rose pipe attached and force out mixture in the shape of scrolls. Allow a space between each scroll as they spread a little. Allow

them to stand in a cool place to harden, then bake in a hot oven for a few minutes.

Date Cake

Place in a saucepan 8oz butter, 6oz brown sugar, 1lb dates, and $\frac{1}{2}$ pint warm water. Bring slowly to boil and simmer for about 5 minutes stirring all the time to prevent burning. Allow to become quite cold, then add 12oz plain flour, sifted with $\frac{1}{2}$ level teaspoon ground cinnamon, $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon mixed spice, and a good pinch salt. Add 4oz shelled walnuts and 1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda, dissolved in 1 tablespoon boiling water and $\frac{1}{4}$ pint warm milk. Mix well together and bake in a well greased and flour-d oiled cake-tin in a moderate oven for about $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Allow to become quite cold, ice with lemon icing and sprinkle with chopped walnuts.

A Workable Wardrobe for a Working Girl



Rita Jolinson wears a wardrobe especially designed for the working girl by Dolly Tree. On days when you are leaving the office to keep an important dinner date with your beau, try wearing a black crepe dress instead of your suit. It isn't too dressy for office wear if cut on simple lines such as this one worn by the actress. The tunic is belted over a straight skirt and once again crisp pique is used for trimming. Now this is another "two faced" dress because it too may be changed by discarding the pique trim or changing it around.

An Ensemble in Black



A black coat with black chenille epaulets distinguishes Virginia Grey's one piece coat with military gold buttons. It's high round neckline is collarless and the actress wears it over an afternoon gown of black crepe. Her large black felt hat has a royal blue feather slit through the front lacing. Black patent shoes, a bag matching her costume, and beige slip-on gloves complete the dressy ensemble which Miss Grey wears.

Hobbies of the Stars



Diana Lewis, like many another feminine film player, goes in for knitting between scenes of "Bitter Sweet," in which she appears with Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy.

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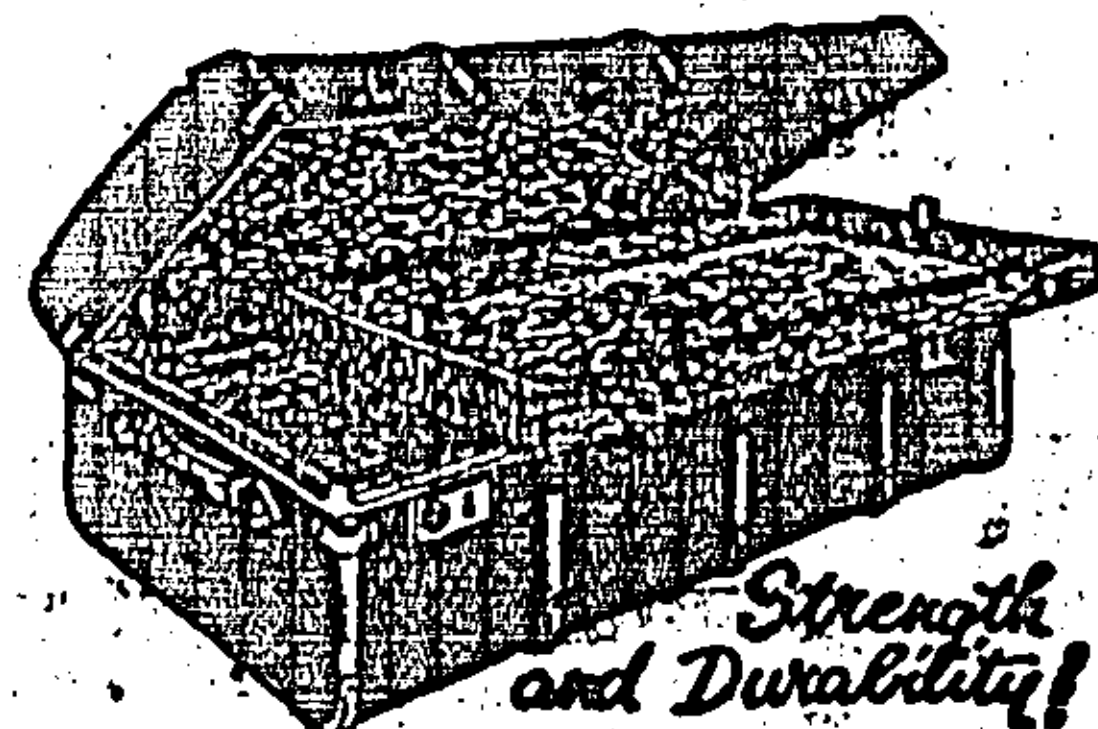
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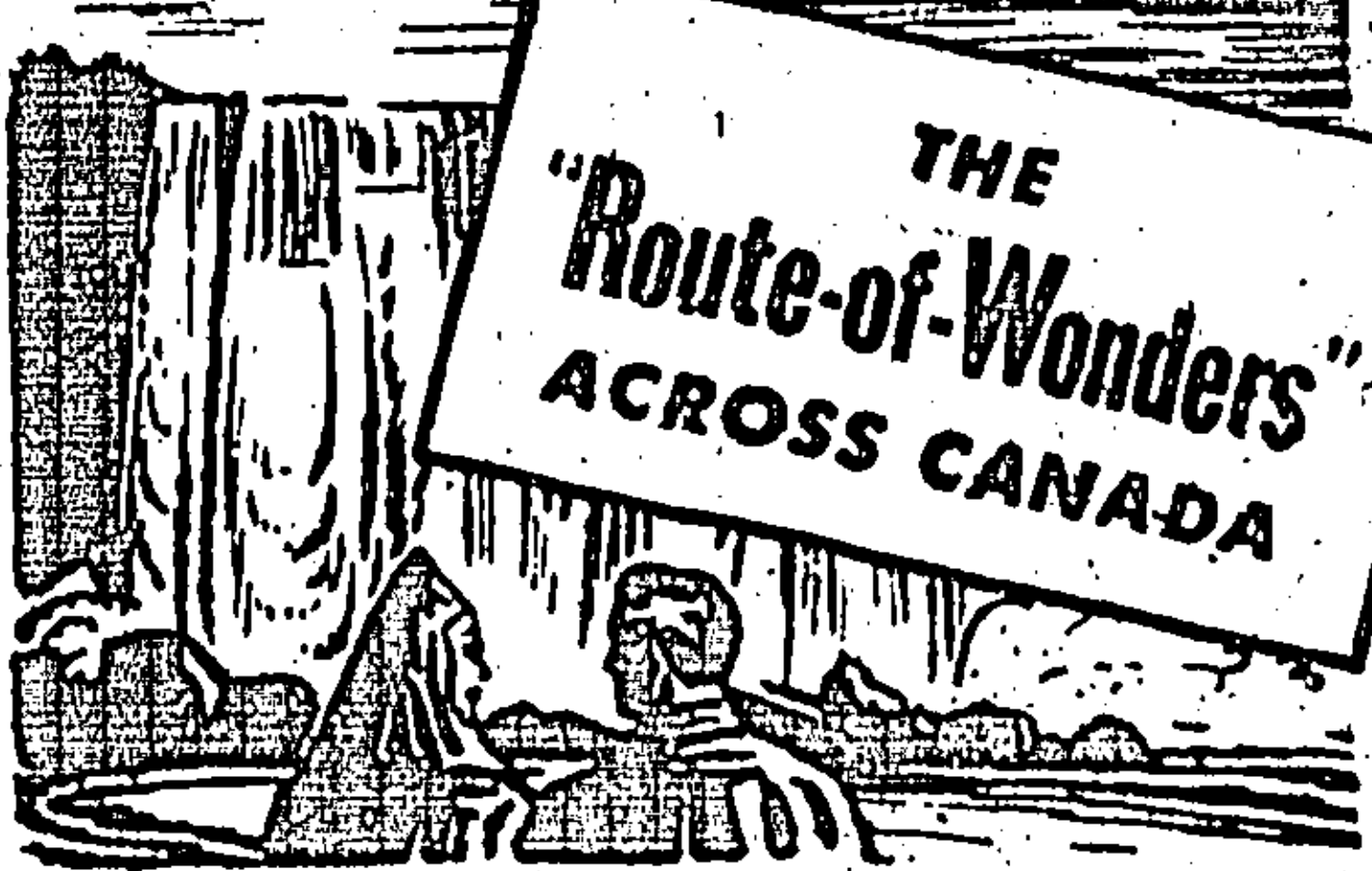
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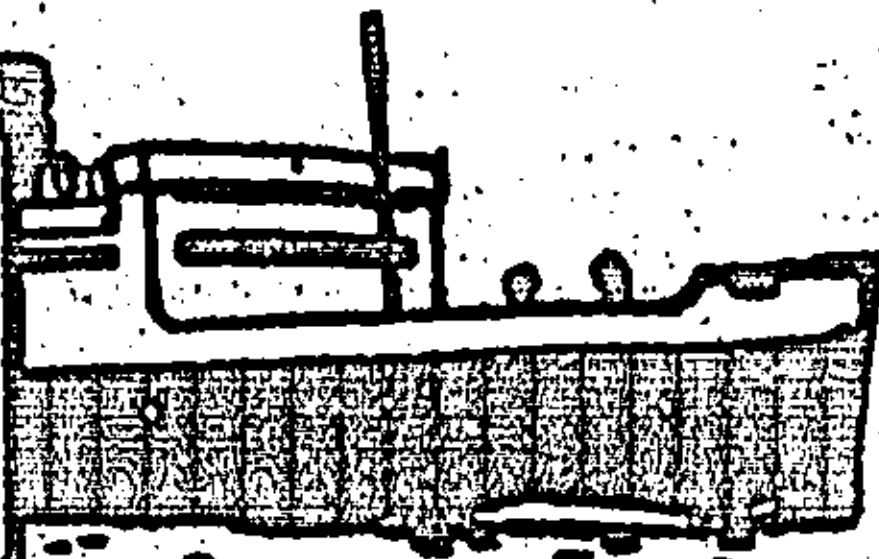
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8.30 p.m.—Interlude.

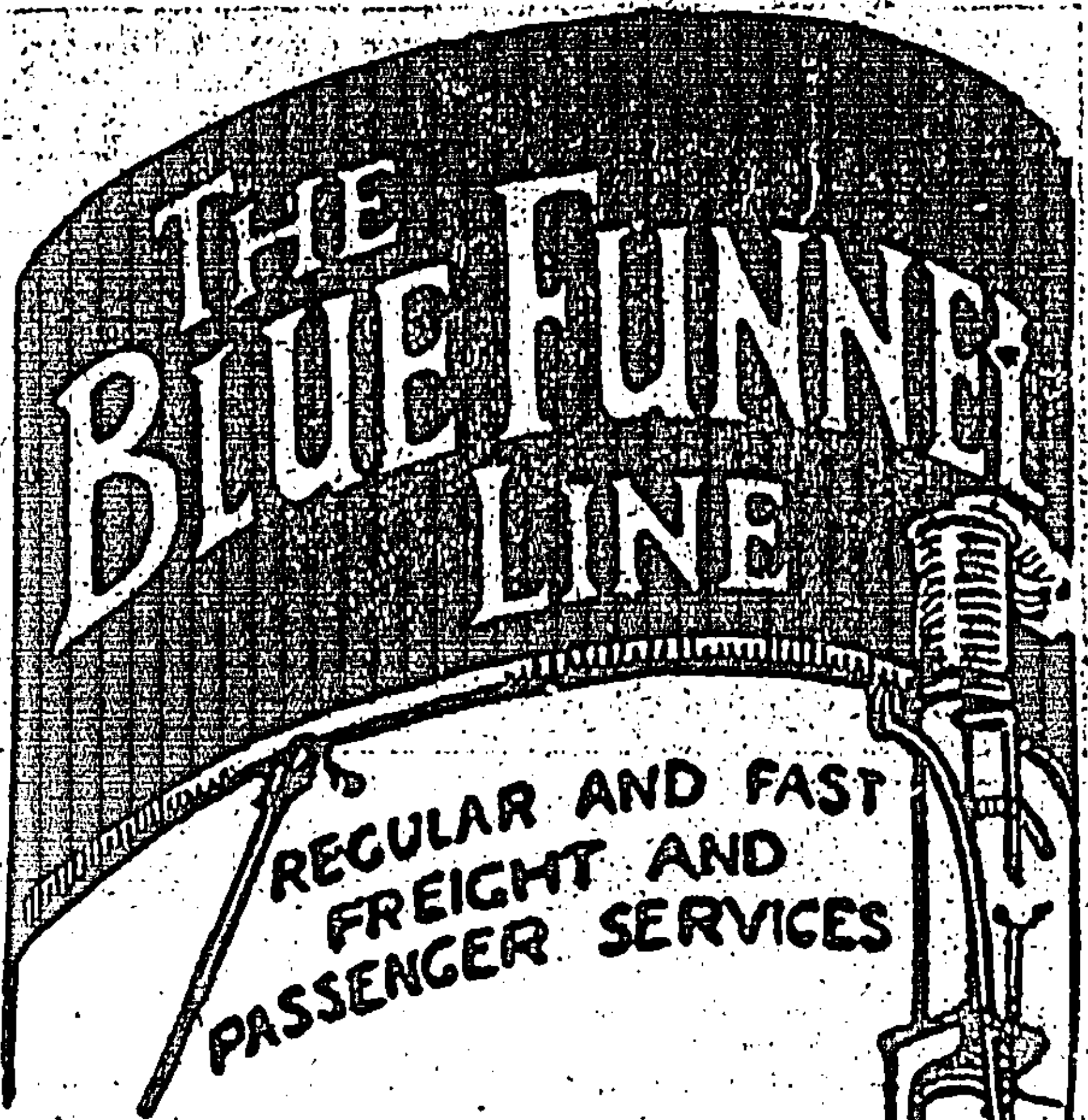
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CRICKET NOTES

Improvement In University Cricket This Season Noted

Mahmood's Magnificent Bowling Against Indin R.C.

Newcomers Watson And B. T. Gosano Make Good Scores

By "Adrem"

THERE WAS A LARGER PROGRAMME OF CRICKET MATCHES ON SATURDAY THAN ON ANY PREVIOUS OCCASION THIS SEASON AND, IN IDEAL WEATHER CONDITIONS, SOME VERY ENJOYABLE GAMES RESULTED.

As far as batsmen were concerned honours went to Donald Anderson and Harry Owen Hughes, who between them made no fewer than 190 runs in the same game, at Cox's Road, in the drawn match between the senior teams of Kowloon and Hong Kong Cricket Clubs.

Bowlers in the news were A. R. Minu, who was playing again seriously after a period of inactivity, and S. Mahmood, who returned yet another useful performance to take 8 for 46.

Other notable individual performances were A. Watson's fine innings for Civil Service juniors, which has earned for him a place in the senior team this week, and Interport footballer B. T. Gosano's first half-century—to my knowledge—in local cricket.

Once known as the footballing Gosanos, recent events appear to have justified the changing of this to the Cricketing Gosanos!

I was fortunate enough to see most of Anderson's innings at the K.C.C. and when I left the ground at about 3.30, the opening batsman had just reached 60. Returning to the club later I was quite surprised to learn that he had not scored a century. Judging by the first part of his knock, the attaining of that distinction appeared to be inevitable as he had been batting with supreme confidence and was treating the fairly mediocre bowling with the lack of respect it deserved.

Anderson's batting in the last season or so, even though he rarely failed to make runs, had led me to suspect that he was having trouble with his eyes as he had been painfully slow on several occasions. On Saturday he was at his best and batted as brilliantly as he has ever done.

Zimmern Scratches

Archie Zimmern, whose form thus far has secured promotion for him in the batting order, shaped as though he would make a lot of runs, but after he had reached 16, he was miserably personified and a period of scratching and scraping followed, during which he made John Pearce think he was quite a bowler. It came as quite a relief when Owen Hughes bowled him and he was able to return to the pavilion and hide his head in shame.

Reggie Broadbridge, going in fairly late, laid on the wood rather and scored a useful 39 not out, while Teddy Fincher, who, I believe, was mainly responsible for the idea, had the distinction of qualifying for the first compulsory donation to the War Fund via the tin which is now kept at K.C.C. and H.K.C.C. for those gentlemen who "drop catches" or make "ducks." Vice-captain Lloyd rather rubbed it in, however, by meeting his captain before he had reached the steps of the pavilion with the tin prominently displayed!

Knight bowled some very useful stuff with the new ball for Cricket Club and John Pearce did better than he has done for some time after Archie Zimmern had bowled him in, while Owen Hughes also did pretty well.

Owen Hughes Hits Out

Owen Hughes completely dominated the H.K.C.C. innings. Going in first with Knight he secured the major portion of the 55 runs added for the first wicket, and he also had the unusual distinction of overshadowing Alec Pearce while 49 runs were added for the second wicket. He then went on to score 62 before being

caught by Anderson off Lloyd and was mainly responsible for the close proximity of his side's total to that of the K.C.C. at the close of the game, despite the fact that they had been left little time to get the runs.

Zimmern and Lloyd have settled down into a very useful bowling combination and they shared the six wickets that fell.

C.C.C. Improve

Craigengower again, lost on Saturday, this time to Recreio at King's Park, but they did very well and at one period had the Portuguese team pretty worried. It is not impossible that they would have won but for their importation from Shanghai, F. R. Kermani, who was hit for 20 in one over and that, at that stage of the game, was that!

The Craigengower batsmen again failed badly Zimmern, Kermani and Fisher, the first three men, being the only double-figure scorers. It is interesting to note that the Recreio captain, E. L. Gosano, in this match broke up the "old firm" of himself and Ozorio, which has been one of the most consistent wicket-taking machines in local cricket for the past two seasons, in favour of himself and his younger brother, left-handed L. G. The latter justified this confidence and had a devastating last spell after bowling four fruitless overs, to finish up with 4 for 19. It will be recalled that L. G. was responsible for skitting out Civil Service early in the season.

Recreio started their innings confidently and, after A. J. M. Prata had been dismissed cheaply, G. N. Gosano and Eddie Soares hit hard to advance the total to within comfortable striking distance. Then came that sensational collapse, although the most optimistic Craigengower player could not have really expected to win, as indeed they did not, Recreio having four wickets in hand when the game was won. Billimoria could not get going but Hulse, bowled very steadily and was always hard to get away. He has a very nice action and should be better than his usual figures would suggest. Macaulay, of D.B.S., had only two overs and took 2 for 2.

Sappers Do Well

Royal Engineers did remarkably well against Civil Service, who had out a very strong team. It was mainly due to two men, however, Major Grose and Sgt. Megson. Grose carried the Sappers' batting, making an undefeated 48 out of the Sapper total of 122 for 8, dec. but received little support. Fred Baker did more bowling on this occasion than he has done hitherto this season and appears to be working his arm in, while Norman Whitley took 3 for 27.

Civil Service started disastrously but Hollidge stayed with Attwell to stop the rot and Richardson and Perry thereafter both made a few. Nevertheless Civil Service had lost seven wickets for

RECREIO'S HUGE SCORE

By "Adrem"

An exceptionally strong Hong Kong Cricket Club junior side failed to distinguish themselves against Combined Small Units in a match at Chater Road on Saturday and were well beaten by nine wickets.

Dewar, I am told, was in fine form with the ball for the soldiers and had not King stayed in for a long time to make 39, the Club score would have looked fairly miserable.

Set to score 92, Small Units made short shrift of the task, the runs being knocked off for the loss of Logan's wicket. French made 49, Stonor 30 and Coombes 25 not out.

Feature of the match at Sookunpoo between R.A.P.C. and C.S.C.C. juniors was the fine batting of A. Watson—a name I have not been able to identify—who made 67 in such good style that he is to play for the senior team against K.C.C. on Saturday. Only Harper and Hawkins were able to make double-figures, apart from Watson, however, and C.S.C.C. were all out for 124, Young being the most successful. Pay Corps bowler with 5 for 40.

R.A.P.C. batting was not good enough to force the issue and the match faded out in a time draw.

Good innings by Amplavanar and Gill and consistent bowling by N. Singh, Amplavanar and Gill gave University a good win over I.R.C. notwithstanding a gallant 46 not out by A. R. Sufiad, who went in at the fall of the second wicket and carried his bat. Ebrahim bowled well for I.R.C. and took 5 for 23.

C.C.C. Bowlers Flogged

Recreio batsmen had a field day at the Valley at the expense of Craigengower and ran up the huge total of 220 for 6 and then proceeded to put the home team out for 75.

Noronha made 64 retired, Silva 39, Carvalho 44 and "Betty" Gosano 50 not out. The latter's innings was a particularly bright one and he took heavy toll of the bowling, 48 of his runs coming in boundaries.

Consistent bowling by Recreio proved too much for all but Bill Way, who made 33. A. V. Gosano was the most successful Recreio bowler with 3 for 24, while Remedios took some cheap wickets near the end.

Despite good bowling by Lewis, Pope and Danowsky of Police, K.C.C. were able to win their match at the Valley by 33 runs. Kenzie Baxter made 50, Luke 15 and Crabb 14 not-out but K.C.C. batsmen, otherwise, were not very clever.

Simpson, playing in his first match this season, took 4 for 19 and Baxter took 2 for 8 to put Police out for 77, Reynolds and Carey being the only double-figure scorers.

When stumps were drawn and can be said to have had the worst of the match.

I anticipated that University would find A. R. Minu too much of a proposition and such proved to be the case. The Interport left-hander took 7 for 23 to skittle University out for 56, but, as I have remarked, this was not surprising. What was probably the best feat of the match was undergraduate Mahmood's 8 for 46. In the face of the I.R.C. total of 160 for 8 his analysis was exceptionally good and bears reproduction.

O. M. R. W.
15 4 46 8

and I.R.C. would probably have had some anxious moments had A. H. Madar not played a typical innings of 58 not out.

The University team has shown

KERMANI LEAVES

F. R. Kermani, the Shanghai all-round cricketer, returned north yesterday. He played two games for Craigengower during his stay here but did little of note.

H.K.C.C. Team

The following will represent H.K.C.C. 1st XI against Club de Recreio 1st XI on Saturday at the H.K.C.C. at 2 p.m.:—H. Owen Hughes (Capt.), C. W. E. Bishop, N. D. Booker, Surg. Lt.-Com. W. G. Finnie, R.N., Major D. C. E. Grose, T. G. C. Knight, J. C. C. Matthews, D. O. Parsons, J. L. C. Pearce, T. A. Pearce and C. D. N. Walker.

RECREIO SELECTIONS

The following will represent Recreio seniors:—W. A. Reed (Capt.) H. L. Ozorio, L. G. Gosano, J. M. Gosano, G. N. Gosano, E. M. L. Soares, N. A. Beltrão, A. M. Prata, H. A. Barros, M. A. Remedios and M. Mendonca.

The following will represent Recreio juniors against Diocesan Boys' School on Saturday at King's Park, at 2 p.m.:—E. A. R. Alves, E. L. Gosano, A. M. Rodrigues, P. M. N. da Silva, A. A. Lopes, J. C. Fonseca, J. A. Soares, B. T. Gosano, A. M. Remedios, A. N. Other and A. N. Other.

K.C.C. BOWLS TEAM

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in a friendly game of lawn bowls against Kowloon Tong on the latter's ground on Saturday, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

A. W. Smith, A. H. Martin, G. E. Taylor and E. Kern; A. Madar, J. Hempsey, W. Parson and J. Fraser; A. C. Tribbie, P. Wellwood, A. Steven and H. Overy.

F. A. COUNCIL MEETING

BURMA CHINESE TEAM TO VISIT COLONY

APPROVAL WAS GIVEN at the monthly Council meeting of Hong Kong Football Association held last night to a proposed visit here of a Burma Chinese football team.

Date for the Governor's Cup and "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup matches were also fixed.

Mr. Wong Ka-tsun was in the chair, others present being Messrs. C. A. Goldenberg (Hon. Sec.), W. E. Hollands, J. Skinner, Walter Henning-Chen, H. K. Lee, Mok Hing, Cap. C. M. M. Mann, T. G. Stokes and P. O. Brown.

The first round of the Governor's Cup will be played on November 24 and the selection of the Association team was left to the League Management Committee.

Four Teams

It was decided that in the International Cup series, fixed for definite improvement and if their batting was more reliable they would upset more of the stronger teams this year. In this connection I might mention that Dr. L. T. Ride is now back in the Colony and if he turns out for University in the League it should be a tremendous help.

STONOR'S BIG INNINGS

Notwithstanding a fine innings by Stonor, who was well supported by Gardner and Haskins, R.A.O.C. were unable to force a decision against R.A.P.C. in a friendly cricket match at Sookunpoo yesterday and the match was left drawn.

Stonor and Gardner added 62 for the first R.A.O.C. wicket and Boocock (9) and Stonor put on 44 for the third wicket. With five wickets down, Ordinance declared.

Thanks to a gallant innings of 36 by Taylor, R.A.P.C. were able to save the match, their last two men being in when time was called. Boocock and Haskins bowled well, the former being particularly steady.

R.A.O.C.

Gardner, c Adlam, b Murray	30
Stonor, st. Hemming, b Taylor	66
Pinder, b Chalcraft	14
Boocock, b Taylor	9
Haskins, not out	18
Standing, b Murray	1
Extras (B3)	33

Total (for 5 wickets, dec.) 171
Meetings, Jeffery, Merrick, Wright and Mendell did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ingleby	7	0	47	0
Taylor	7	1	36	2
Happe	3	0	9	0
Murray	7	0	34	2
Chalcraft	4	0	12	1

R.A.P.C.

Murray, c Pinder, b Haskins	5
Happe, b Haskins	5
Ingleby, b Boocock	4
Taylor, b Standing	36
Hemming, c Pinder, b Haskins	8
Chalcraft, b Boocock	3
Pendergast, b Boocock	4
Adlam, not out	1
Pinkney, b Boocock	5
Stone, b Boocock	0
Smart, not out	1
Extras (W2, B7, LB2)	11

Total (for 9 wickets) 83
Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Boocock	12	1	39	5
Haskins	7	1	28	3
Standing	4	1	5	1

December 25 and 26, to invite the following teams to take part:—China, England, Scotland and Portugal.

Letters received from the Hong Kong Rotary Club, the Hong Kong and Macao Relief Association and the Chinese Youths' Medical Relief Association, asking for games in aid of the charities under their auspices, were read.

After a lengthy debate a suggestion to play a match, the proceeds to be divided between these three associations, was put forward by Mr. Hollands and was adopted by the Council. The match was fixed for December 22.

Approval was also given to a visit to the Colony of the Burma Chinese football team who, it was decided, should be informed that they should arrive not earlier than April 12 in order not to clash with the end of the season's League fixtures.

Cissies Pip Baskets At The Post

MAJOR R. J. J. L. Penford's team the CISSIES won the Navy Cup polo tournament at Boundary Street yesterday by scoring an 8-2 win over the Angels in their final game. Baskets, who were a point ahead in the tournament table up to yesterday, suffered a 7-6 defeat in playing the Dolittles, to finish second.

The winners lined up for the concluding match of the Tournament with Capt. R. J. J. L. Penford (Handicap 3) at No. 1, Major Penfold (Handicap 3) at No. 2, Capt. T. W. Chattey (4), No. 3, and Capt. B. G. W. Yeatman (No. 4).

Earlier in the tournament the Cissies lost 6-7 to Baskets, beat Evergreens 5-3 and Dolittles 10-2. The team scored a total of 25 goals in four matches and received four. Capt. T. W. Chattey scored 13 of these, Major Penfold 8 and Capt. Lawder 4.

Following the games yesterday, Lady Grayburn, wife of Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, gave away the prizes.

First Game

The first game of the afternoon saw Baskets meet the Dolittles, and lose by the odd goal.

Scorers were Guest (3), Smith (2), Fisher and Feilden for Dolittles, Wilson (4) and Atkinson (2) for Baskets.

Dolittles:—Lieut. B. Smith (2), No. 1, Lieut. R. E. Guest, No. 2, Major C. A. Fisher (2), No. 3, and Lieut. L. J. A. Feilden (4), No. 4.

Cissies:—Lieut. E. A. Dompas, No. 1, Capt. W. H. B. Chattey (2), No. 2, Major W. B. Wilson (5), and Capt. A. G. Atkinson (1), No. 4.

Better Team

Cissies were a better team in

\$4,535.74 FROM CHARITY SOCCER

It was revealed at the H.K.F.A. Council meeting last evening that the sum of \$2,596.74 was collected on October 10 from the charity soccer game between Combined Chinese and Rest of the Colony in aid of the B.W.O.F. and the B.F.R.D.C.

The total gate receipts from the annual Poppy Day Fund match on Monday were \$1,763, plus \$176, which was collected for the raffle for the ball used. This balance is less expense, which has yet to be deducted.

TRAINER'S NASTY SPILL AT VALLEY

(By "RAPIER")

A nasty accident occurred at the Valley this morning, resulting in To Kar Po, a Chinese trainer in the service of Hong Kong Jockey Club, being sent to the French Hospital in an unconscious state.

The trainer was taking out a 1941 Australian Subscription Griflin, No. K31, belonging to Messrs. Tester & Abraham for its morning exercise, and on reaching the football stands the pony suddenly threw its rider on to the rails, with the result that he struck his neck against the stanchion of the rails with such force that he was rendered unconscious.

Help soon arrived, and he was placed in Mr. S. A. Sleep's car and removed to hospital.

In my notes recently I stressed the necessity of Jockey Club providing an Ambulance near the football stands.

MORGAN EXCELS AT SCRUM-HALF

CLUB "A" BEAT A WEAK NAVY TEAM BY A GOAL AND FOUR TRIES (17 PTS.) TO A PENALTY GOAL (3 PTS.), AFTER LEADING 14-3 AT THE INTERVAL, IN THEIR RUGBY MATCH AT THE VALLEY YESTERDAY.

Morgan, who played fly-half in the first half and scrum-half in the second—Hynes went to fly-half and Clemo on the wing—caught the eye on several occasions, opening up the game in very promising style.

With Thompson still nursing an injured right arm Morgan is more than likely to play scrum-half for Club against Army in their friendly game on Saturday.

Club forwards played well yesterday, especially Oleson, who was excellent in the line-outs.

Navy backs tackled badly and only Clark, who was probably



making his last appearance for them, impressed. He played a very plucky game at scrum-half and his gallant efforts deserved a better fate.

Aitkenhead opened Club's scoring but failed to convert his try, and Navy were on level terms when Hughes kicked a penalty goal. Morgan then scored, Redman failing with the kick, Needham added to the score, Aitkenhead failing to add the goal points, and just before the interval D. Hynes made a 50-yard dribble to score between the posts for Redman to convert. In the second half Thompson went over following a cross-kick by Taylor, Redman failing to convert.

Club:—Pecorini; Taylor, Aitkenhead, D. Hynes, Thompson; Morgan, Clemo; Oleson, Burford, Heasman; Moodie, Needham; Redman, Godfrey, B. Hynes. Navy:—Clough; Graele, Mogerle, Adia, McGill; Wilson, Clark; Palmer, Richards, Stockham; Grangle, Rutherford; Taylor, Thornhill, Hughes.

ARMY ROWING

At Stonecutters yesterday a very enjoyable afternoon was spent at the annual rowing regatta between units of the garrison. A large fleet of launches was present and the General Officer Commanding, Major-General A. E. Grasett, presented the prizes.

Following were the results:—Brown Cup.—1, 24th Heavy Bty.; 2, Engineers; 3, R.A.S.C.; 4, 17th A.A. Bty.; 5, Middlesex C Coy.

Chaplain's Cup.—1, Carrier Platoon (Royal Scots); 2, 7th A.A. Bty.; 3, Middlesex C Coy.; 4, R.A.S.C.; 5, 17th A.A. Bty.; Engineers (disqualified).

Ah King Cup.—1, Engineers; 2, R.A.S.C.; 3, Middlesex C Coy.

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HITLER'S DILIGENT BID TO SECURE SOVIET TO AXIS

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No Clue To Progress

SINKING OF "BREMEN" DENIED

A report from the United States to the effect that the giant German liner "Bremen" has been sunk is denied by the official German News Agency, which says the report is devoid of foundation.—Reuter.

HITLER SEEMS TO BE PUTTING ON HIS PERSONAL MAGNETISM AT FULL STRENGTH IN ORDER TO BRING M. MOLOTOV TO AN AMENABLE FRAME OF MIND IN THE BERLIN TALKS.

Few diplomatic visitors to Berlin have engaged Hitler's personal attention so long. M. Molotov's visit to the Chancellery yesterday lasted for over four hours, and his talks with Herr Hitler lasted three hours of this time.

They also talked at length at a luncheon which Hitler gave in M. Molotov's honour.

At the official conversations after the luncheon, Ribbentrop was present as well as M. Dekanozov, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister.

The Councillor of the German Embassy in Moscow and the Secretary of the Russian Embassy in Berlin acted as interpreters.

The luncheon to Molotov was officially described as a "small luncheon party."

"A Small Party"

It was held in the old Reich Chancellery and the guests included some of M. Molotov's suite, Ribbentrop, General Keitel, Goebbels, Dr. Ley (chief of the Labour Front), Dietrich (the Reich Press Chief) and "the commander of Hitler's bodyguard and others."

Von Doernberg, Chief of Protocol, called for M. Molotov at the Belvedere Palace and drove

with him to the Chancellery where the guard presented arms. Hitler greeted the guests in the flower-decked reception room of his own apartments.

Photographs were taken for the Press and news-reels. Molotov sat at Hitler's right hand at lunch.—Reuter.

TOKYO'S NEW SOUTH SEA BUREAU

IN ORDER SPECIALLY TO DEAL WITH AFFAIRS BETWEEN AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, INDO-CHINA, MALAYA, THE PHILIPPINES, NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES, THE JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE ANNOUNCED IN TOKYO YESTERDAY THE CREATION OF A BUREAU OF SOUTH SEAS AFFAIRS.

Part of the reason for this step is stated to be the creation of a new situation by the conclusion of the amity treaty between Japan and Thailand (Siam) as well as the despatch of the Japanese Mission to the Netherlands East Indies.—Reuter.

CUSTOMS HEAD IN SHANGHAI

MR. L. H. LAWFORD, COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS IN SHANGHAI, WHOSE TERM OF OFFICE IS DUE TO EXPIRE SOME TIME THIS MONTH, HAS BEEN RE-APPOINTED BY SIR FREDERICK MAZE, INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF THE CHINESE MARITIME CUSTOMS, FOR ANOTHER "TERM." REPORTS THE "SHUN PAO."

The local Japanese Press recently gave prominence to reports that Mr. Lawford's term of office was due to expire, hinting that a Japanese appointee would secure the post.

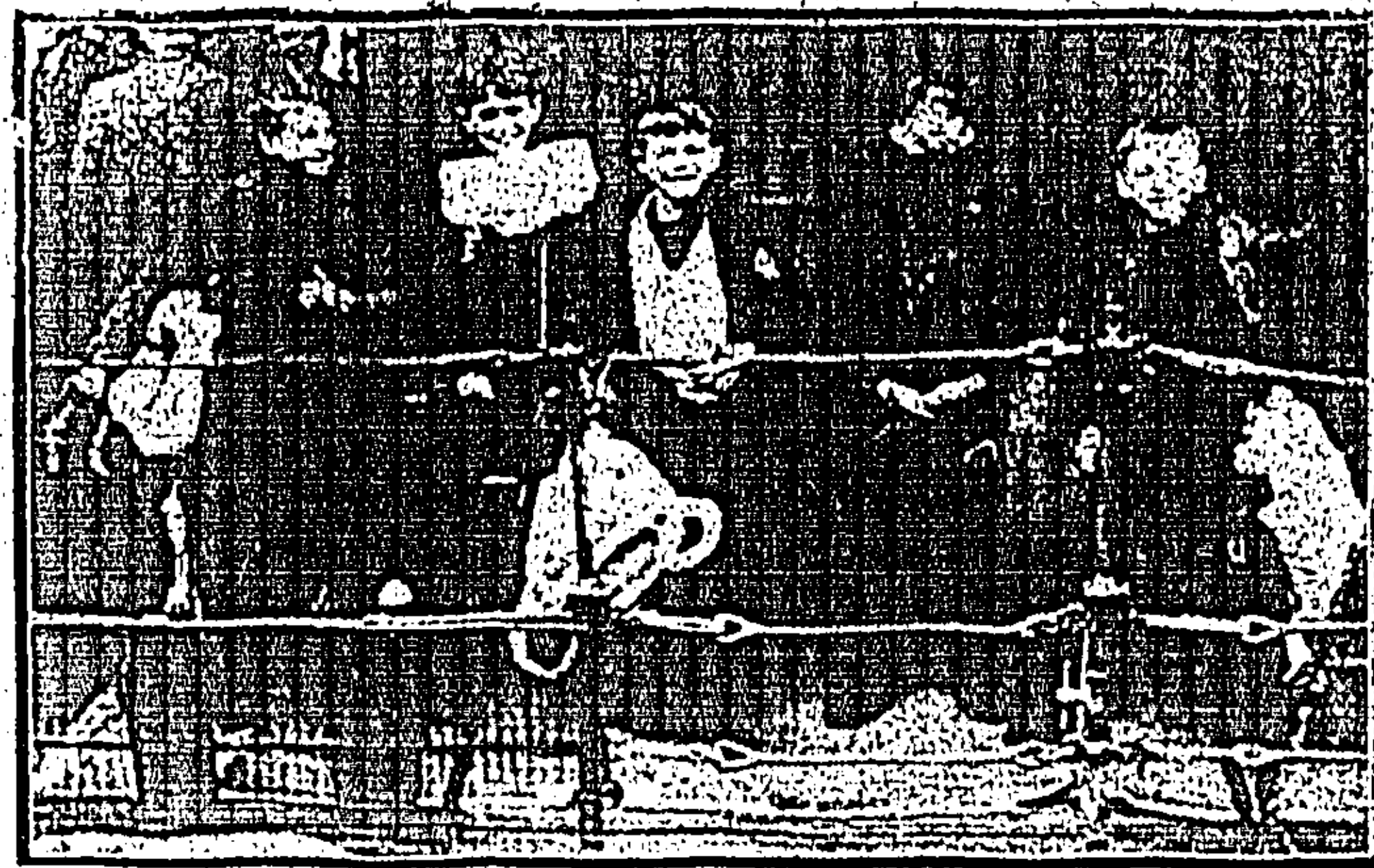
Re-appointment of Mr. Lawford is justified by the precedent set by the re-appointment of the Commissioner of Customs in Tientsin.—Reuter.

U.S. NAVAL YARDS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

The United States national defence programme is a "full year ahead of schedule," Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary for the Navy, told reporters after inspecting the navy yard at Boston (Massachusetts) yesterday.

Colonel Knox added: "In 1941 we shall be getting 20 new ships, including two battleships and one aircraft carrier."—Reuter.

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Five child survivors from a torpedoed evacuee ship. Kenneth Sparks, Howard Clayton, Harry Steele, Derek Capel and William Short, seen kitted up with their life-saving equipment aboard the rescue ship. (Copyright, Fox).

STOP PRESS

Corporal K. Mitchell, of the Mobile Column, H.K.V.D.C., was riding a motor cycle along the Castle Peak Road at about 9 a.m. yesterday when a Chinese tried to run across in front of him and was struck by the machine.

Corporal Mitchell was thrown off, receiving injuries to the left thigh, and both were later detained in hospital.

Some fifty Chinese members of the crew of a British ship in harbour faced charges of "absenting" themselves from duty at the Marine Court this morning.

All are believed to be seamen from Shanghai, the ship's next port of call.

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BIRTH

RASCHLE — On 13th November, 1940, at the French Hospital, Hong Kong, to Edith, wife of Rud. E. Raschle, a son.

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MOSQUE FOR LONDON

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IS TO ASK PARLIAMENT FOR £100,000 FOR A SITE ON WHICH TO ESTABLISH A MOSQUE AND AN ISLAMIC CULTURAL CENTRE IN LONDON.

The committee making the plans was received by the King in Buckingham Palace yesterday.

It includes the Egyptian Ambassador, the Saudi-Arabian Minister, the High Commissioner for India and Lieut.-Col. Sir H. Sirrawadi.

The committeemen were presented to the King by Lord Lloyd and thanked His Majesty for the gift from the British Government.—Reuter.

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Italian Retreat In Two Sectors

According to the latest reports from Greece, the Italians are retreating in two sectors in the face of determined Greek attacks.

In the Pindus sector, remnants of the Alinari division are reported to be struggling back from Konitsa, 15 miles north of the place where they received their first set-back.

This will take them back over the frontier into Albania, and they are leaving behind equipment and prisoners to swell the numbers already taken by the Greeks.

The other area is on the Adriatic. Here, Italian advance patrols penetrated between the Kalamas and Acheron rivers, some 25 miles in from the coast.

The latest news from Greece says that the Italians have been pushed back towards the Kalamas River, and that Greek troops advancing from the Acheron (the "Styx" of mythology) have certainly reached Masarakli, eight miles from the Kalamas River.

OIL FOR THE PLANES OF NIPPON

THE NETHERLANDS OIL COMPANY WILL HENCEFORTH BE SUPPLYING JAPAN WITH OVER 1,800,000 TONS OF OIL AND OIL PRODUCTS ANNUALLY. IT WAS LEARNED IN BATAVIA YESTERDAY.

The recently initialled agreement provides that Japanese importers will be able to purchase crude oil at the rate of 780,000 tons annually and oil products of 540,000 tons.

This will be in addition to about 400,000 tons of various oil products regularly shipped by oil companies in Batavia.

ST. MARTIN'S WRECKED

THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN IN THE FIELDS WAS AMONG THE PLACES DAMAGED IN A RECENT LONDON AIR RAID. IT WAS REVEALED YESTERDAY OFFICIALLY.

All the windows and one side of the building were blown in.

AIR FORCE ATTACK ON BOLOGNA

An attack by Royal Air Force planes upon Bologna in Italy is announced in Berlin by the Bologna correspondent of D.N.B. — Reuter.

COMMONS WANT BOMBING OF ROME

DON'T BE SQUEAMISH

As the Italians are now participating in the bombing of London, Captain Balfour, Under-Secretary for Air, was pressed in the Commons yesterday on the question of bombing Rome.

Captain Balfour referred to his previous statement in which he declared that Government had taken note of the Italian admission that their aircraft had participated in the London bombings and must, therefore, reserve full liberty of action in regard to Rome.

Since that time, Captain Balfour added, the Italian Government must have become aware that endeavours to approach British coasts were likely to cause very heavy casualties to their air force.

Captain Balfour was asked not to be squeamish, to which he replied that it would be thoroughly wrong for Government to give away to the enemy their strategic plans in regard to any objective.

FOUR NAZI BOMBERS DESTROYED

FOUR GERMAN BOMBERS WERE DESTROYED IN YESTERDAY'S ENEMY RAIDS ON BRITAIN, WHICH WERE ATTEMPTED OVER SEVERAL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

In none of these raids, says an Air Ministry communique, were many bombs dropped and scarcely any damage or casualties were caused anywhere.

Most of the 600 people in the crypt escaped. South Africa House was also damaged by the same bomb.

Probable Result Of Berlin Talks

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

AMID A WELTER OF SPECULATION AND PROPAGANDA, THE GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE HAS ITSELF BETRAYED ITS PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE IN INVITING M. MOLOTOV, THE SOVIET COMMISSAR FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, TO BERLIN.

The Wilhelmstrasse statement refers to the primary need of fixing a basis for Soviet collaboration, not merely with the Axis but with Japan.

In other words, having secured Japan's participation in the tri-partite agreement designed to counter any move by the United States, Germany is now trying to associate the Soviet with the pact.

It is unlikely, however, that the Soviets will fall in with Hitler's plans so far as to commit herself to any specific course as the war develops.

That the talks may result in improved relations between the Soviets and Japan is by no means improbable.

Neither country wishes to be drawn into the war and there are abundant questions on which their interests run parallel.

Although it is not easy to see any common ground regarding the situation in China, some form of compromise on that subject is easier to envisage than any commitments by the Soviet in Europe, other than economic.

Polish Frontier

It may be recalled that Germany tried to trace the new Polish frontier further westward so as to give Russia a bigger slice of Poland, but Moscow was satisfied with the territories in which the inhabitants were mostly Russian.

HUNT FOR RAIDER

It is now certain that a German raider laid the mines which sank a British and an American ship last Friday, stated Mr. C. E. Hughes, Minister of the Navy, in Melbourne yesterday.

The Minister added that the mines were laid "quite recently." The raider must be within a certain radius and naval and air patrols are searching diligently.

BLUE PETER BAN

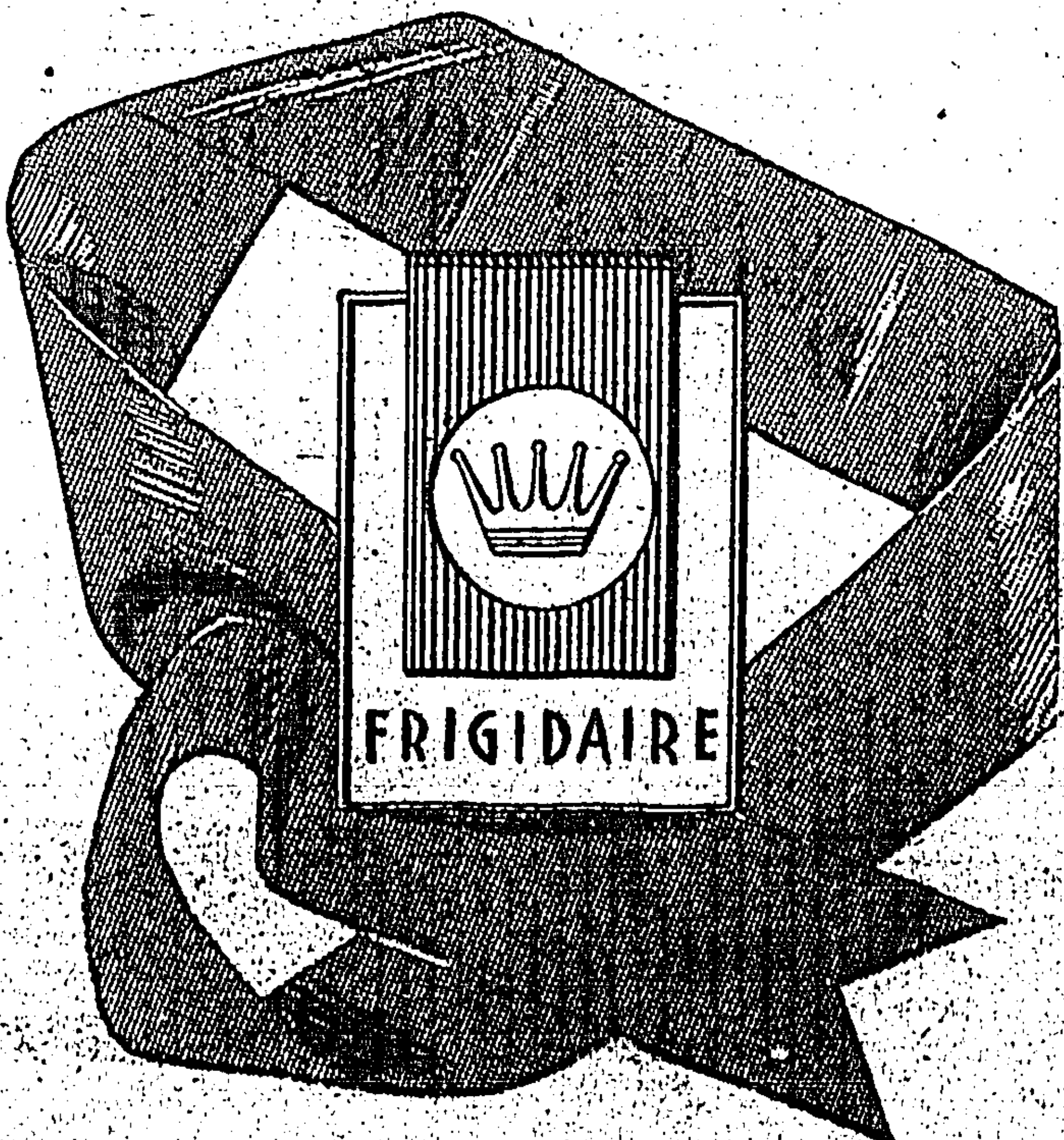
The hoisting of "departure" signal flags on ships about to leave Hong Kong within two hours is now prohibited by the harbour authorities.

NORWAY GROWING RESTLESS

According to the Stockholm correspondents of Swiss newspapers, a movement is growing among officials in Norway to demonstrate their disrespect for their new masters.

The "National Zeitung" reports that all officials of the entire administrative district of Brandu have been dismissed for "Go Slow" conduct and the administration of the district has been completely disclosed.

Similar disobedience is reported from many other parts of Norway.



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WARNING TO SPAIN

Formal British Protest Against Tangier Seizure Action Would Be Taken To Prevent Fortification

WEYGAND REBELLIOUS RUMOUR

"Tendencious and unfounded rumours" is the Havas Agency's description of reports that General Weygand has refused to return to France from Africa and that Vice-Admiral Decoux has resigned.—Reuter.

BRITISH, GERMAN CAMERAS ON SHOW

A number of interesting camera exhibits are now being shown at the R.A.F. Photographic Exhibition at the Building Centre Galleries 158 New Bond Street, London.

Visitors can compare the Royal Air Force standard F.24 aircraft camera weighing approximately 28-lb, with exchangeable lens cones of 3 1/4", 5", 8", 14" or 20" lenses, with its German counterpart, the cumbersome 12" x 12" camera with a fixed 20" lens, weighing approximately 168-lb. Specimens of aerial photographs taken with each camera are also on view.

The F. 24 with a separate mounting, as used for oblique photography, can also be seen.

A further comparison can be made between the standard F.8 R.A.F. camera and the German 7" x 7" camera.

Other exhibits include a G.23 camera gun used for training observers in air gunnery and a R.A.F. 16 m.m. Cine camera gun, the standard type fitted to certain fighter aircraft for recording combats. Films taken by the latter during actual combats are shown at regular intervals.

To illustrate the advance in aerial photography since the advent of aircraft as a weapon for war, a 1914 L.B. type aircraft camera with which plates were used instead of the present day films, is also on view.

KONGMOON NORMAL

A recent arrival from Kongmoon states that conditions there continue to be fairly normal.

Tow-boats, which recently suspended sailings for several days, are now taking passengers to Canton.

Chinese guerillas were active last week and firing was heard across the river.—Reuter.

AMERICANS IN NO GREAT HURRY

The first batch of American evacuees, consisting of the wives of the local manager and installation manager of Standard Oil, left Canton on Tuesday.

Other American citizens do not appear to be hurrying over the evacuation and most of them hope to be able to carry on.—Reuter.

IT WAS REVEALED in the House of Commons yesterday that the action of the Officer Commanding the Spanish troops in Tangier in taking over full charge with the title of Government, was undertaken without consultation with any Government interested.

The British Ambassador in Madrid has been instructed to record a formal protest against that action.



The back view is most deceptive—the front view reveals that it is merely a young Londoner in the country who thinks this is the best way of transporting a gramophone horn from one place to another. (Copyright, Fox).

Commenting on this, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, also announced that the British Ambassador has been instructed to make it clear to the Spanish Government that the British Government attaches great importance to the maintenance of neutrality in the Tangier zone and to the avoidance of any action which might be harmful to British interests.

Mr. Butler added that the Ambassador had already seen the Spanish Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Asked if the British Government would take every action to see that Tangier remained neutral and unfortified, Mr. Butler said, "Yes, the British Ambassador has stressed the importance that we attach to the maintenance of the neutrality of the zone."—Reuter.

"STRIKE" ON SHIP

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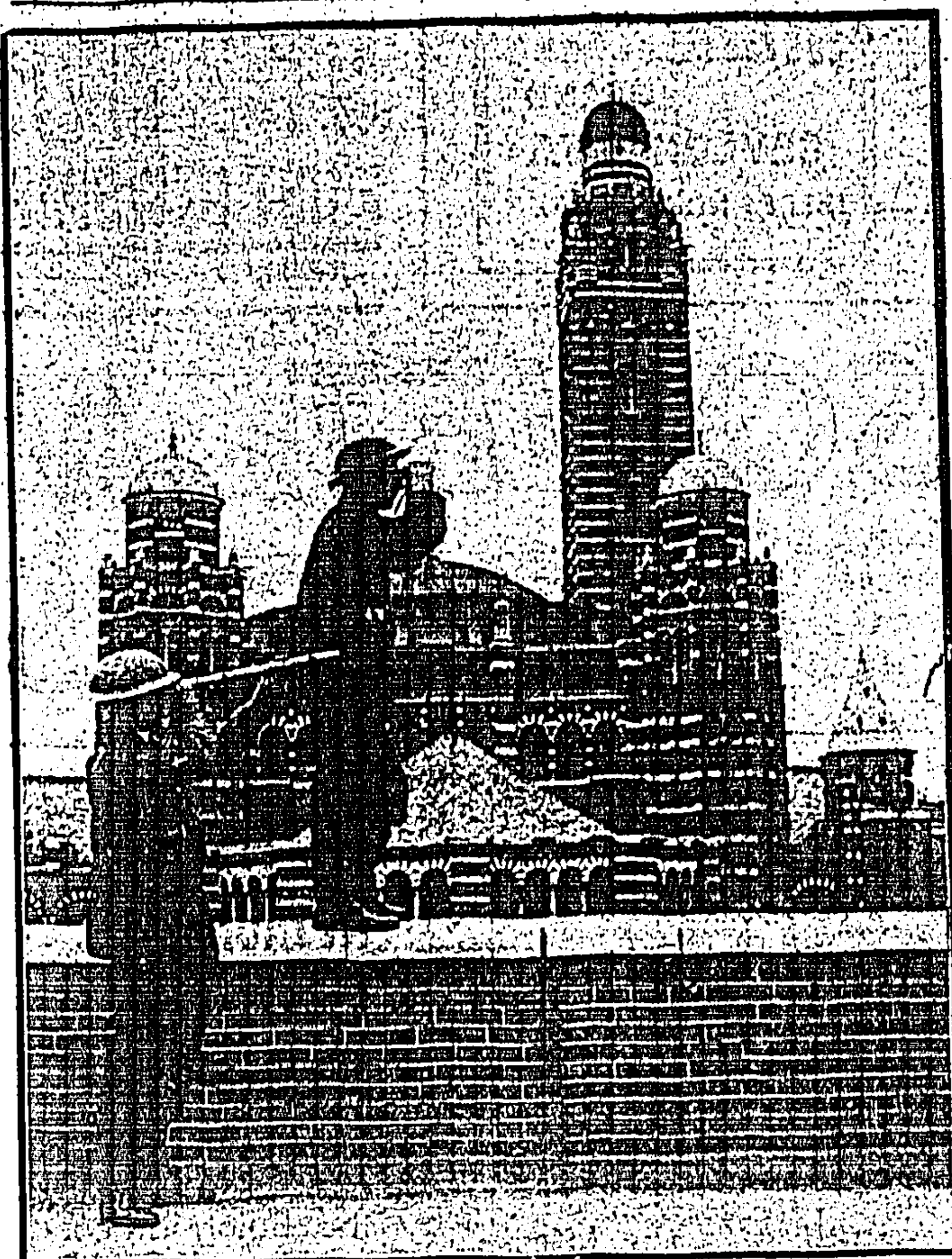
WAR BILL RISING IN AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIA'S WAR EXPENDITURE HAD RISEN FROM £6,900,000 IN JULY TO £11,000,000 IN OCTOBER, DECLARED MR. A. W. FADDEN, THE AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL TREASURER, IN A BROADCAST FROM CANBERRA LAST NIGHT.

He said that in order to raise funds for the war, the Commonwealth Government would use credit expansion within strict limits, increase taxation and launch the biggest loan in the history of the country.—Reuter.

FAMILY TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

A married couple with their four children were admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday suffering from poisoning, after having a meal, which included "mushrooms."



Westminster Cathedral has adopted the system of "roof-spotting" so that services can continue during air-raid warnings. A squad of 20 air-raid wardens, recruited from the clergy and staff, man observation posts on the tall tower and on the roofs. Photo shows Fathers M. J. Moriarty and J. A. Coughlan as "roof spotters" showing the Cathedral in the background. (Copyright, Fox).

REWARD OF FRENCH VICTORY

Sergeant pilots and pilots commissioned from the ranks have done well in the fighting round our coasts and over France. Several have two figure "bags" of enemy aircraft shot down.

One Fighter Command squadron had until recently two pilots promoted from the ranks who have been awarded five decorations between them. The Squadron Leader joined the R.A.F. as a boy apprentice eighteen years ago. He has won both the D.S.O. and the D.F.C. Now he has left the squadron after losing an eye as a result of wounds received during a head-on attack on a large formation of Messerschmidt 110s. Serving with him was a Sergeant pilot who has since won the equivalent of the D.F.C. three times over. He received the D.F.M. as a Sergeant pilot, was promoted to Pilot Officer and collected the D.F.C. and a bar to the D.F.C.

Usually a Sergeant pilot goes to another squadron when he is commissioned. After the three decorated pilot had been away for a time, his old squadron asked to have him back. He gladly returned to them because they were defending in their Spitfires the county in which his wife and small daughter live.

With his help they have made thirteen a doubly unlucky number for the Germans. They have shot down thirteen enemy bombers and fighters over France and another thirteen at different points along our coast all the way from Scapa Flow to the Channel.

BLOCKADE OF FRENCH COLONIES

FROM MONDAY NEXT, ALL SHIPS TO AND FROM SYRIA, FRENCH WEST AFRICA, LIBERIA, PORTUGUESE GUINEA, MADAGASCAR AND REUNION WILL HAVE TO HAVE "NAVIGANTS" FROM THE BRITISH MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC WARFARE.

As in the other areas, failure to comply with the regulations means that the master of the ship, as well as the owners and charterers, may be denied the use of any British control facilities.—Reuter.

FLEET RUMOURS

Reports in Zurich that the French Fleet has left the Mediterranean area stated to have come from Vichy.

The "Gazette de Lausanne" correspondent believes that the fleet is bound for French Indo-China to which, he says, Thailand (Siam) has delivered a fresh ultimatum.

In a message describing the Vichy Government's concern over the defence of the colonies, the Vichy correspondent of "La Suisse" also mentions an unconfirmed report that the fleet has left for an "unknown destination."—Reuter.

OBSERVER CORPS' BAG

An Observer Corps watcher on the north-east coast of England can credit himself with one German bomber. His promptness enabled Spitfires to bring the raiders down near enough for him to see the wreckage.

One evening he spotted an aircraft flying at some 17,000 feet and heading over the coast. He decided that it was a German aircraft, and a Junkers 88 at that. The news was flashed through to the observer centre, and so to a Fighter Command station.

Spitfires were in the air within a few minutes. The enemy was quickly seen and overhauled, and the attack began. With their first bursts, the Spitfires killed the German gunner. Then the Junkers was disabled.

Some miles away a searchlight post saw the enemy being harassed and forced down, and then saw it crash on the heather. A few minutes later, officers and men of the searchlight post were on the scene and had taken three German prisoners. The fourth, the gunner, was dead.

The whole combat, from the spotting of the Ju. 88 to its descent on the moors, had taken little more than 40 minutes. A proud member of the Observer Corps visited the wreckage of the Junkers on the following day.

Something For Mussolini To Think About—At Taranto

MR. AMERY ON IL DUCE'S ILLUSION

"WE ARE FIGHTING against secession, as Nazidom is, in effect, a war of secession from European civilisation," said Mr. L. M. Amery, Secretary of State for India, at a luncheon in London yesterday.

Mr. Amery was addressing a meeting of the National Defence of Public Interests Committee, over which Lord Nathan presided.

Said Mr. Amery: "The culture and ideals given by Greece, Rome, Christianity and the Middle Ages are all directly challenged by the new barbarian."

"It is because the issues go so deep, because this is total war, not in methods only, but between totally irreconcilable principles, which are contending for victory, that no compromise is possible."

Referring to the failure of the German air attacks on Britain, Mr. Amery said we hardly realised from day to day that Young Britain in the shape of its air-men had won one of the world's historic battles—a battle which he thought would figure in this war as the Battle of the Marne figured in the last—as the turning of the tide.

Il Duce's Illusion

Mr. Amery described Mussolini as the victim of the illusion that he was destined to restore the greatness of ancient Rome, "but he forgets that Rome grew not by calculated aggression, but largely by sheer force of character and circumstances."

"He has also forgotten that even before ancient Rome there was ancient Greece and that spirit still lives in Greece to-day."

Mr. Amery was loudly cheered when he referred to the brilliant success of the Fleet Air Arm against the Italian Fleet at Taranto.

"It will be something for the Italians to go on with," said Mr. Amery, adding: "Wars are won by daring."—Reuter.

Blow Aimed At Heart

The Secretary for India described German policy over the past years as a "military design aimed as a blow at our heart."

"Poland, Mr. Amery continued, was destroyed to clear Hitler's rear and the conquest of the Low Countries and France were successive steps to bring Britain within range of aircraft so that an overwhelming blow might be delivered at British production after destroying the R.A.F."

"The courage of a few thousand well-trained young men and the spirit of a great nation wrecked that plan," Mr. Amery said.

Although invasion might be tried, Mr. Amery continued, it now had a very much slighter chance of success.

"Second Design"

The first design against Britain having failed, what Mr. Amery described as "a second great design" is now being staged.

For success, Mr. Amery continued, much depended on who could be cajoled, bribed or bullied into taking part with the Axis powers.

Extending from Gibraltar to Singapore, from Morocco to Indo-China, the main plan constituted a terrible menace which must not be under-estimated.

First Move

Although the first move—Nazification of Rumania—succeeded, the Italian effort against Greece was becoming somewhat agitated.

Mussolini, while posing as a Roman warrior restoring glorious, ancient Rome, forgot that the Roman Empire had grown by character and that her distinguishing feature was law, not lawlessness.

"He also forgot," said Mr.

GANDHI TO EXTEND CAMPAIGN

A MOVE TO EXTEND THE MAHATMA GANDHI'S CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE CAMPAIGN IS INDICATED BY A REPORT IN BOMBAY THAT HE HAS INFORMED THE VICEROY THAT HE HAS DRAWN UP A LIST OF 1,500 MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS PARTY WHO WILL INVITE IMPRISONMENT BY INVOLVING IN ANTI-WAR ACTIVITIES.

The list includes, according to the report, all well-known Congressmen, including former ministers in provinces and members of the Central Legislature. — Reuter.

AIR WAR IN LIBYA

Long range bombing R.A.F. aircraft carried out a raid on Port Evlona on Monday says a Cairo R.A.F. communique.

"Bombs fell in the dock area and scored a direct hit on a large building."

In the Western Desert, the biggest raids were made on Benghazi, Berka and Tobruk.

Two enemy bombers on the ground at Berka were destroyed. Other aircraft and an aircraft building were severely damaged at Tobruk.

From all operations carried out during the period, under review all our aircraft returned safely. — British Wireless.

FREE FRENCH WOMEN FOR SERVICE

A Women's Auxiliary Corps has been formed by the Free French forces.

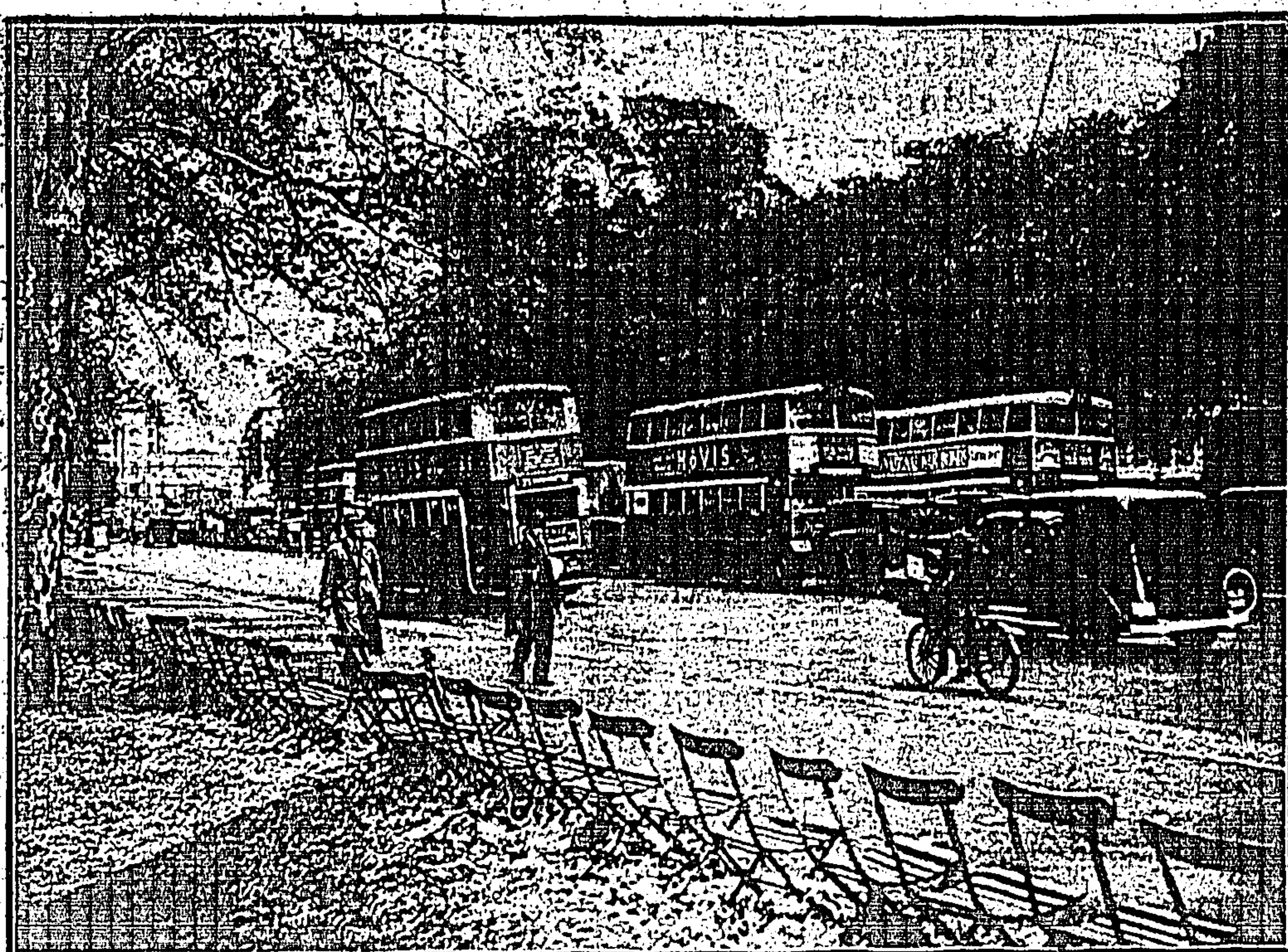
Open to a limited number of recruits, all of whom must be of French nationality or hold French passport, it is expected that this Corps will release for the fighting service many men now engaged in non-combatant duties. — British Wireless.

R.A.F. RAIDS

Oil plants at Gelsenkirchen and Cologne, as well as the submarine base at Lorient are mentioned in an Air Ministry communique as being heavily attacked by the R.A.F. last night.

These operations were in addition to raids on railway centres and factories in the Ruhr, docks at Flushing and Dunkirk and on several enemy aerodromes. One British aircraft is missing. — British Wireless.

Amery, "that before the ancient Roman Empire there was an ancient Greece, the spirit of which still lives." — British Wireless.



BUSES IN THE PARK — Owing to a traffic diversion in Park Lane, passengers on London buses have had the pleasure of a trip through Hyde Park on their way to business. (Copy-right, Fox).

GALLABAT OPERATION

Details to hand of the operations round Gallabat, on the border of the Sudan, show that the British took the place from the Italians, abandoned it and have now again occupied it.

Gallabat is a village with a little police fort and is not important in itself from the strategic point of view except as a useful jumping-off ground for raids either on the Sudan or Abyssinia, and a spot where several caravan routes converge.

Italian occupation last summer made it a military objective, for they held it with one battalion with two supporting battalions at Metembsi Metma, one or two miles away, across the Abyssinian frontier.

On November 6, British forces, consisting mainly of Indian troops with a number of British, attacked and captured Gallabat. The Italians were taken by surprise and the capture only took 1-1/4 hours, although the Italians issued a highly-coloured official report that the British were at first repulsed after suffering substantial losses and then the Italian garrison was forced to fall back by superior numbers.

A counter-attack supported by native battalions was successfully repelled by the British, with a loss of 27 killed. — British Wireless.

BUOYANT STOCK MARKET

Industrials attracted the main attention on the London stock exchange yesterday and good business was done at higher levels.

Kaffirs on the whole made a good showing, rubber shares were in favour and home rails advanced on good enquiry.

Most foreigners were firm, especially Brazilian issues, while Wall Street was irregular. — Reuter.

SHAMEEN FOOD SITUATION EASED

Shameen's food situation was slightly improved when protracted negotiations recently concluded resulted in the arrival of a small consignment of foodstuffs, mainly butter. — Reuter.

LUXEMBURG GOVERNMENT IN CANADA

A provisional Government for the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg has been set up at Montreal with the permission of the Canadian Government.

This was announced yesterday by the President, Pierre Dupong, who added that the members of the Cabinet will confer at Montreal with the Grand Duchess Charlotte. — Reuter.

FRENCH GIRL "CONSCRIPTS"

FRENCH PRIESTS AND MAYORS HAVE BEEN PLEADING IN VAIN WITH THE GERMAN AUTHORITIES TO RETURN TO THEIR MOTHERS THOUSANDS OF FRENCH GIRLS WHO HAVE BEEN SENT TO GERMAN "LABOUR CAMPS," SAYS THE "SUNDAY CHRONICLE."

When the German troops marched in, girls were rounded up and told that they would be conscripted for service. They were then sent to towns which the Germans had already occupied, or to other towns inside Germany.

To lessen the scandal which arose in the occupied areas, the parents were told that the girls would be well paid, and that they would be allowed to send part of their earnings home.

On arrival at their destinations, the girls joined thousands of girls from Poland and other occupied countries.

The majority are shop girls, factory girls and peasant girls. News has leaked through to parents that some of them have already committed suicide rather than obey their German masters. In other cases the parents have been curtly informed that the girls have died.

LONDON'S "STEEL CURTAIN"

London's curtain of steel put up nightly by the new A. A. barrage is vividly described by Ned Russell, an American journalist, in a cable to U.S. newspapers.

After he had seen an anti-aircraft battery in the Thames Estuary at work, he wrote: — "Once a young officer beside me said: 'There are about forty-five tons of little pieces of steel up there now. God help anybody near them.'"

"These heavy shells, of which thousands are hurled into the air each night and day during raids over the Estuary, have a 100 per cent. destructive effect when they burst within a hundred feet of a plane. They are able to damage and severely jolt from 500ft. Hence the barrage from scores of blazing guns creates a devastating mass of deadly flying steel."

A. A. Gaping Kills

Curiosity is killing people. Since the new "wall" barrage from London's anti-aircraft guns has increased in intensity, casualty rolls of shrapnel victims have mounted alarmingly (writes a London reporter).

Many of the injured have suffered because of their own curiosity—standing in the street gazing into the sky.

Here is official advice: — "As soon as you hear gun-fire, whether it is distant or near, take cover and don't peep out. If you are caught in the open and shrapnel is falling lay face down on the ground, rest on your elbows and clasp your hands behind your head—it is better to receive a hand wound than a head injury."

"You should make a run for it in order to get to work and not disorganise production—but don't budge if there is danger overhead."

The question of sounding a special "shrapnel warning" has been considered and found impracticable.

CREMATION OF MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S REMAINS

The remains of the late Mr. Neville Chamberlain were privately cremated in London yesterday. There was no service or ceremony and only two members of his household were present. Arrangements for the funeral service have not yet been announced.

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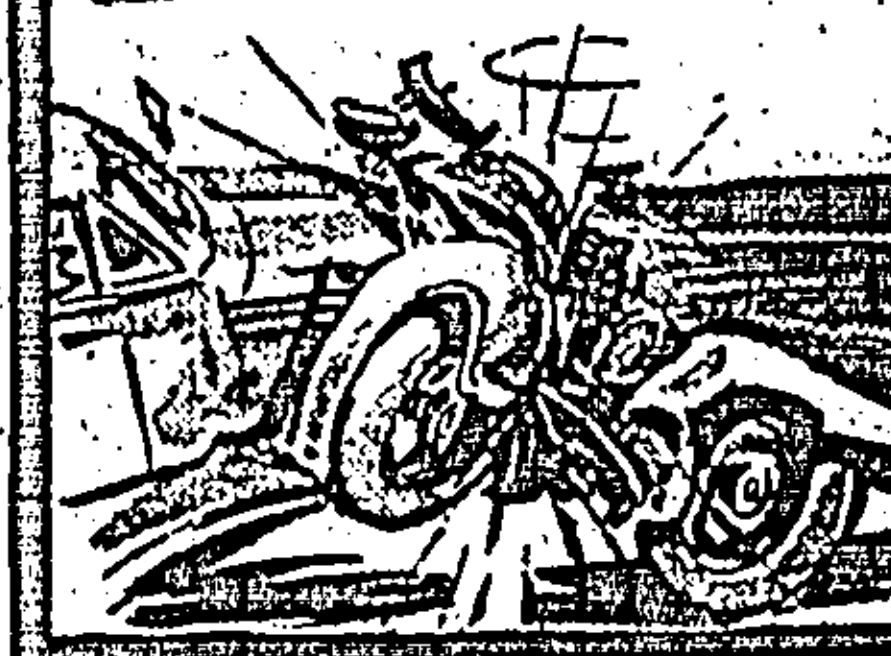
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JERVIS BAY EPIC REFOLD IN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE

AN OFFICIAL Admiralty communique issued last night re-tells in restrained language the gallantry of the action of the captain and crew of the merchant cruiser, Jervis Bay, in boldly tackling a "big German warship" in order to save her convoy.

The German warship is believed, as a result of the statement of skippers in the convoy, to be the pocket-battleship "Admiral Scheer."

The Admiralty communique discloses that H.M.S. Jervis Bay was hit very early in the action, but although she was put partly out of control and was seriously on fire, she continued to fight on and to take the pounding of the enemy guns for an hour in pursuance of Captain E. S. F. Egan's intention to draw the enemy's fire away from the ships in the convoy while the latter dispersed. She sank about three hours after the enemy's fire started.

Survivors Arrive

Ninety survivors of four of the ships which the German surface raider sank in the Atlantic arrived at St. John's, Newfoundland, yesterday.

They were found drifting in lifeboats some 36 hours after their ships had gone down. Most of them were very sparsely clad and said that they had had a "wretched time" in the heavy weather which the lifeboats encountered.—Reuter.

Completely Outraged

As soon as the convoy was attacked, the "Jervis Bay" steered for the enemy while the merchant ships of convoy were tacking, avoiding action under cover of smoke. "Jervis Bay" continued to steam towards the raider although completely outraged by her much heavier armament. She thus drew enemy fire away from the ships in the convoy.

"Jervis Bay" was continually hit by enemy gunfire for nearly an hour during which she was engaging hotly in an attempt to divert enemy gunfire from the convoy. She sank about three hours after the enemy was first sighted.

High tribute to the gallant determined action of the "Jervis Bay" has been paid by master of the ships in the convoy which arrived safely in port. Some 65 survivors of the "Jervis Bay" have been landed in Canada. None are seriously injured.

It is regretted that, having regard to the rapid deterioration of weather conditions, it must be considered unlikely that there are other survivors.—British Wire- less.

VOLUNTEER INJURED

Corporal K. Mitchell, of the Mobile Column, H.K.V.D.C., was riding a motor cycle along the Castle Peak Road at about 9 a.m. yesterday when a Chinese tried to run across in front of him and was struck by the machine.

Corporal Mitchell was thrown off, receiving injuries to the left thigh, and both were later detained in hospital.

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PRO-NAZIS 'PURGED'

A purge of pro-Nazis has been carried out in the Isle of Man internment camps. This was revealed when a number of friendly aliens who had been released arrived at a north-western port.

One released man said that in one camp the pro-Nazis formed themselves into a clique and managed to get themselves billeted in two houses.

"Among these internees, one of the houses was known as 'The Brown House.' We wondered why the authorities could not act, but apparently they had good reasons. A few days ago there were a number of transfers, when most of these men went.

"They did not trouble to hide their hatred of the Jews among

BLACK-OUT OF ENTIRE CONTINENT

The last country in Central Europe still lighting up at night will enforce the black-out in future, says the Swiss Radio.

It is the small Principality of Liechtenstein, wedged between Switzerland and Austria, and having an area of only 65 square miles.—Reuter.

the internees. If there could be such a thing as 'Fifth Column' work in an internment camp, they carried it on.

"The atmosphere was a lot better after these Nazis had been moved. I was surprised at their arrogance. They seemed to take the courtesy of the camp officers as weakness. They always spoke German.

"Most of the Nazis there were people who had been in business in Britain many of them, since just after the last war—people who had come to England of their own accord to start business—not genuine refugees.

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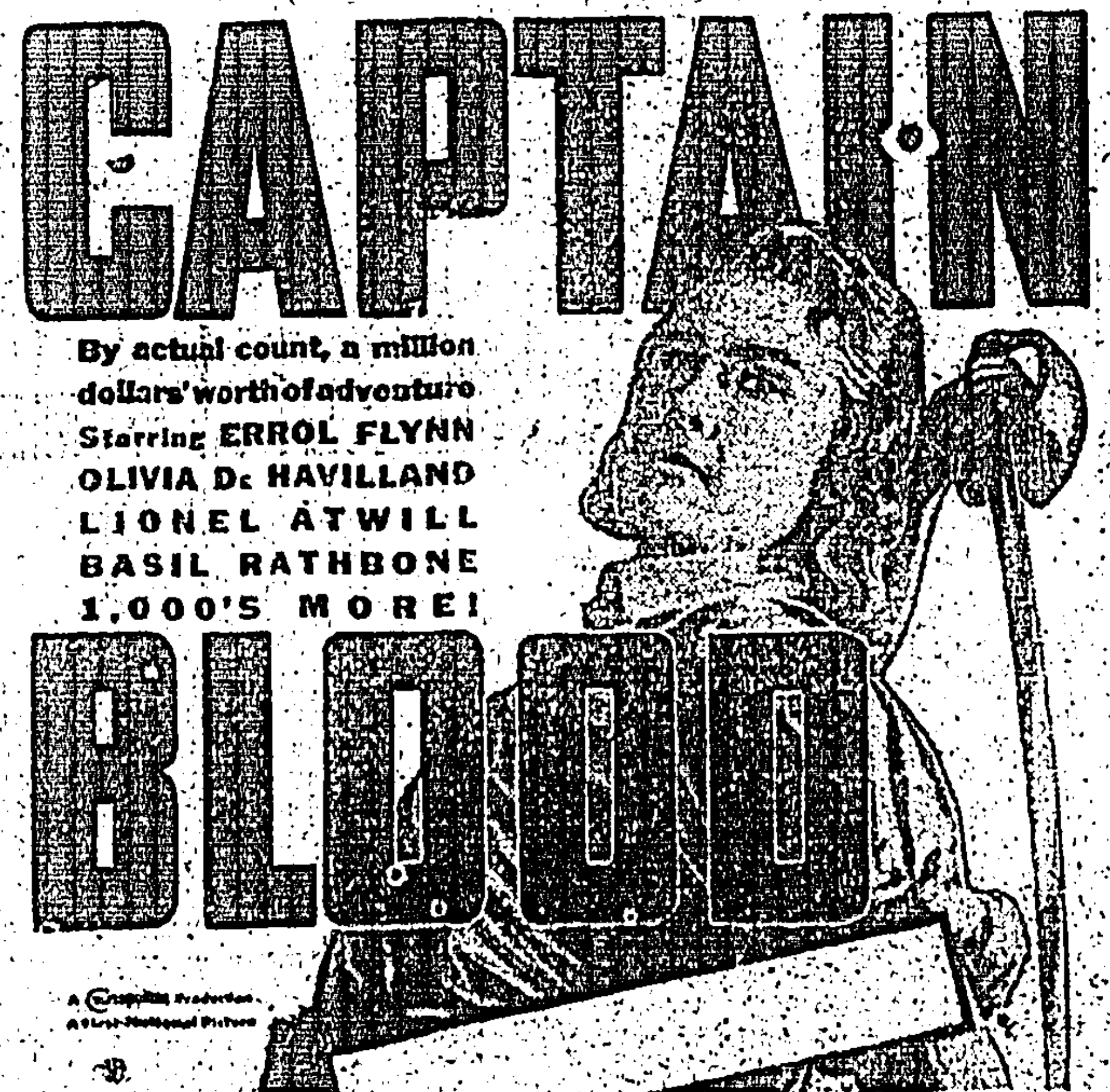
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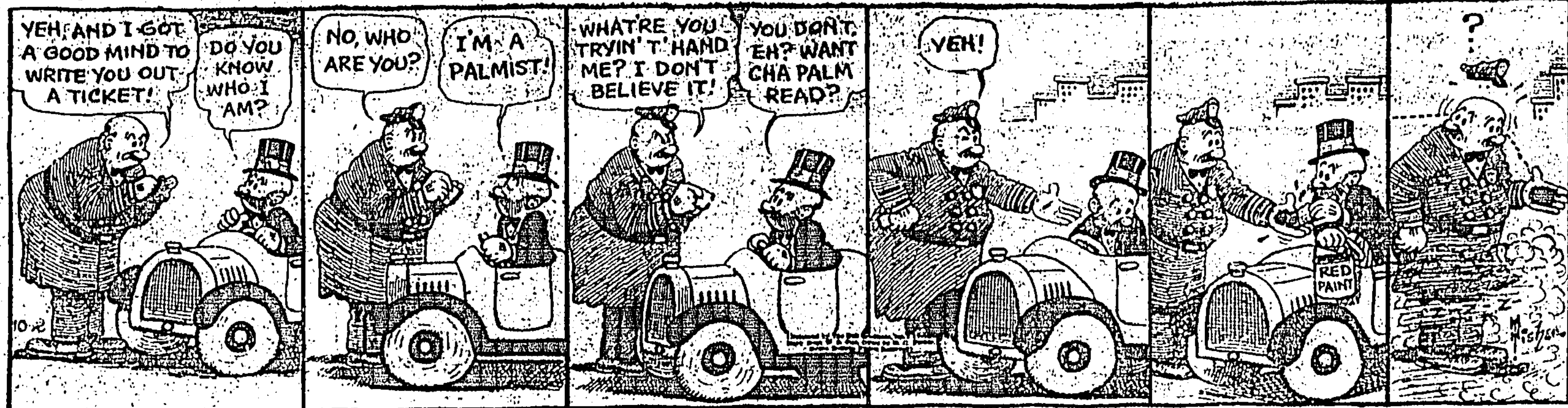
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DAVENTRY'S NEW TASK

Carrying out Great Britain's determination to fight Germany to a finish, the British Broadcasting Corporation, aiming its strong shortwave beams toward America, New Zealand, India and the South Seas, stands to the front on the radio dial. With the French broadcasting system out of the picture, the B.B.C. has a new job now. It is trying to carry on in the air for the French as well as itself and a new station on 11.82 megacycles has been added.

Since the signing of the Franco-German armistice, which clamps down on any radio broadcasting in unoccupied French territories, the B.B.C. in addition to regular broadcasts of bulletins in French, has sent special programmes to French-speaking peoples begging them to rally to the cause regardless of the dictates of the Reich.

Captain Andre Maurois, speaking from London, has added his plea to stand by. Talking shortly after the German blight hit France, he said: "When one is asked to speak of a beloved friend who has been wounded in combat, one is inclined to be silent. For one is sad. Yet, after a little, it is a relief to talk. And so, my countrymen, I say to you now, Do not give up hope. The spirit of France is not dead. Cezanne, Villon, Jeanne d'Arc, can never die."

"SO FAR ALL IS WELL"

A letter full of spirit and courage has been received here from an old lady of eighty, now living in England. Despite three or four air raid alarms daily over her town she carries on as usual, taking them as a matter of course, and saying "so far all is well." She is living in Bromley, a suburb of London, 16 miles outside the city proper, and on the main road to the coast, that many raiders pass overhead towards the metropolis.

The letter follows:—

'Planes Over Every Day

"No doubt you wonder how we are all getting on here! Very calmly and quietly and so far all is well. But we have 'planes over us every day—and sometimes three or four times a day! Three nights last week they came 9 p.m. and stayed till 4 a.m., one night an hour less. Whenever the siren goes we are ordered to "take cover," several go to the shelters, some stay at their own risk in their houses. I go to Mrs. No. 36. Her House is quite safe—downstairs and in the bathroom. A son-in-law understands all about buildings.

If a raid gets bad and we feel the 'planes are nearer than we like—we go into the bathroom and others remain in the kitchen, which is very comfortable, with an Ideal stove. Mrs. occupies a camp-bed and I have a long chair

with rugs. Yesterday morning I was in my bath when the siren went—but managed to dress somehow. We had three or four in the daytime yesterday, besides the one at 9 p.m. This morning we had just begun service when it started; so we had to disperse. It lasted only a short time, and we were able to return to have the service—no sermon. Just after dinner came another—so we go on.

Caught in Cinema

"The weather is glorious, and the stars at 4.20 a.m., when we came to our beds, were beautiful and made me say "The heavens declare the glory of God."

"The people in the Odeon Cinema on Wednesday night were caught by the siren, and had to stay till 4 a.m. There are many shelters in the town, so it is not difficult to get under cover, but I would not like to be caught."

BILL BLASTER TAKES THE AIR

"Lord" Haw-Haw, Germany's ex-public entertainer No. 1, has lost his No. 1 imposition to a new "star"—Bill Blaster, the Crimson Cockney, writes the "Sunday Dispatch."

Bill's is a twice-nightly turn. He speaks from the "Workers' Challenge Station"—one of four new German efforts at propaganda in English. And he swears.

Haw-Haw has lost his public because he couldn't keep up his original suave and amusing sarcasm. Nowadays he often drops into tiresome, nervous hysteria. Bill hopes to recapture your attention—by Rabelaisian abuse of the British leaders.

"Mr. b—Morrison has been opening his maw," says the Crimson Cockney. "He has been miking a grite offensive. The only b— offensive he mikes is against the workin' class."

Factories are going up in smoke. Docks are being "be—d up." And our leaders are "fat b— reptiles," "fat lousy—" and "dirty skunks"—to say nothing of "rotten scoundrels."

R.A.F. planes are so rotten that pilots are afraid to go up in the air.

"Why shouldn't we be bosses for a chinge?" he cries.

He wants the "a-Boil-ishon" of many things, including leaders who "ratted from the working classes."

He is disgusted by the general "incompETTence."

To poor Mr. Morrison he says, "You are a hell of a b— reformer, you are! You have le' the ca' outer the bag." But the "Nassals" are just another kind of capitalist class.

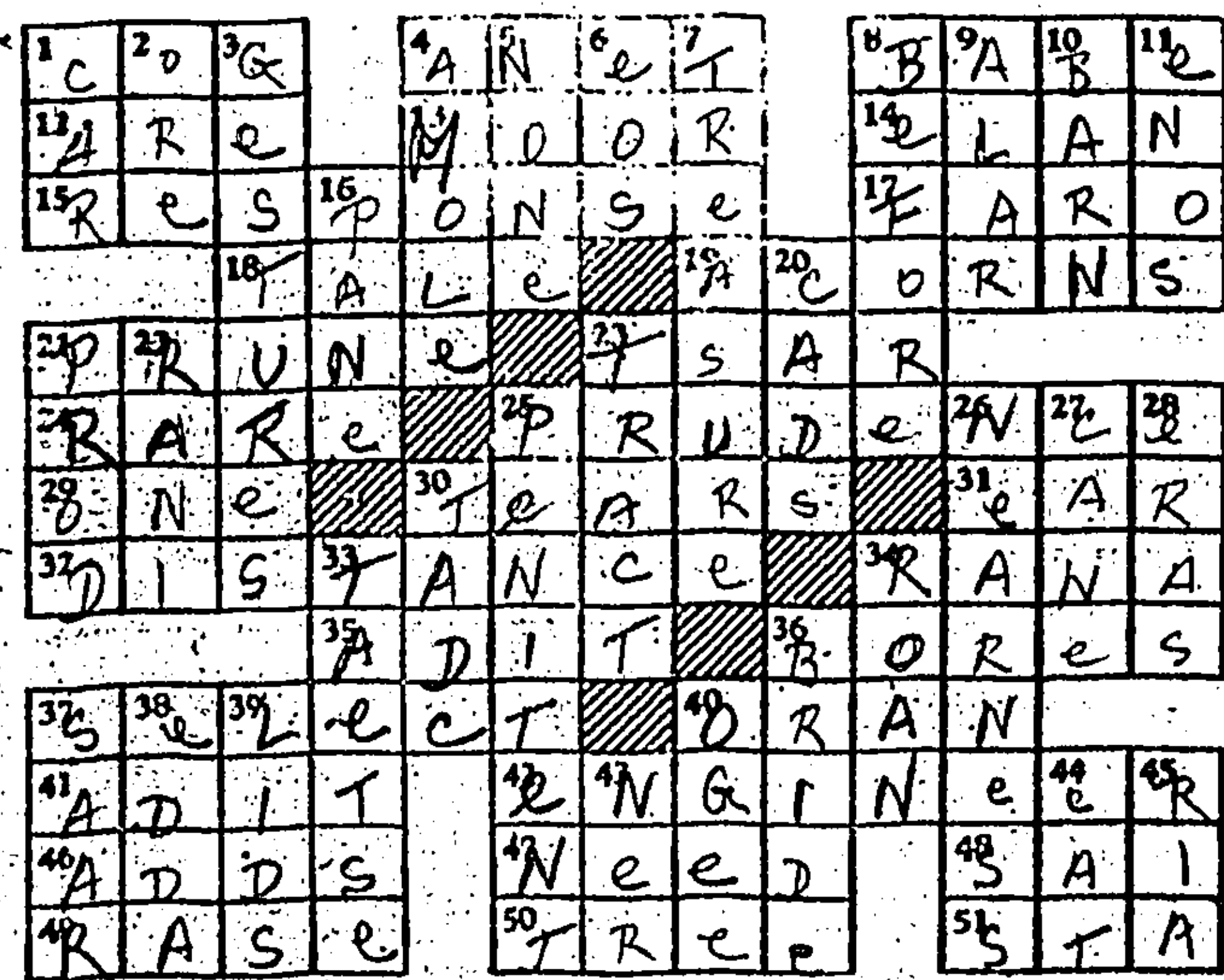
"It is only necessary for a few million workers to go on the streets."

"The bloated fools in Downing Street can't stop us."

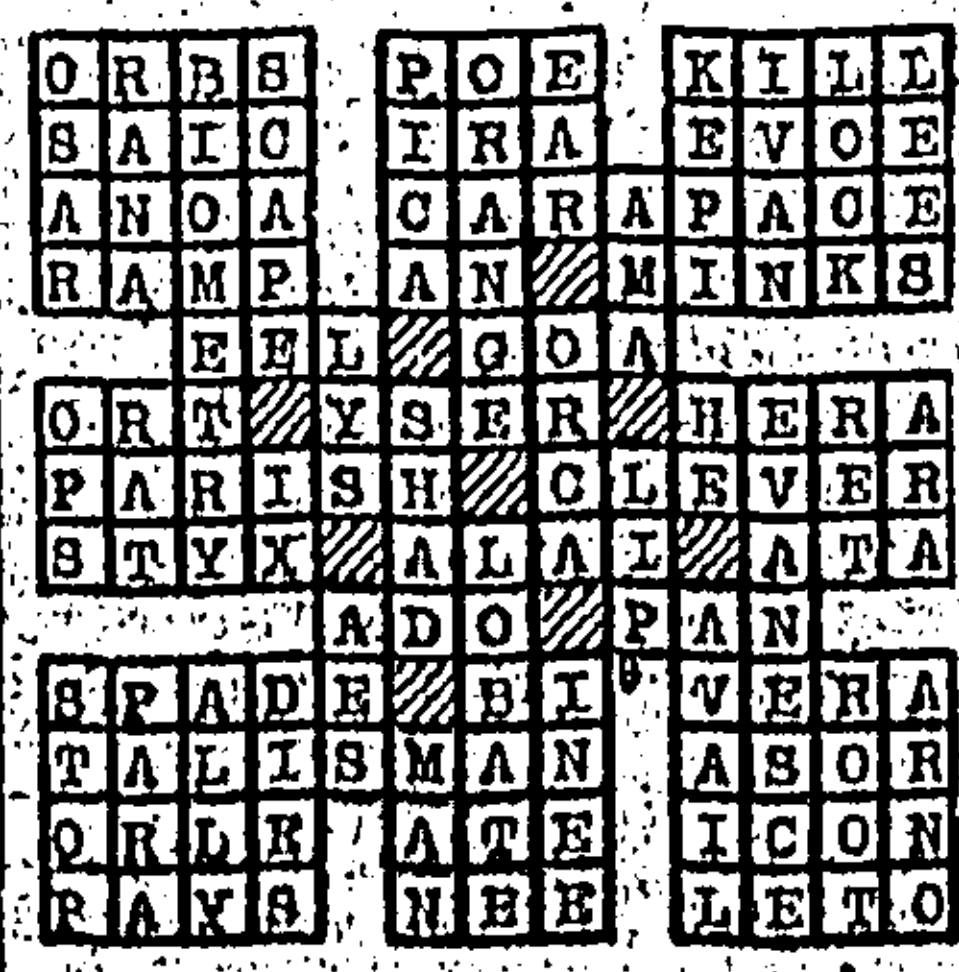
"So, art on the streets while there still is time." Oh, I almost forgot. When you demonstrate in Downing Street don't mind the "coppers." The British "crard" won't stand for them using their sticks. The bosses will run like rats.

Anyway, why should a few "b—" old men dictate to you because they have a bank balance? Sez Bill Blaster, the Crimson Cockney.

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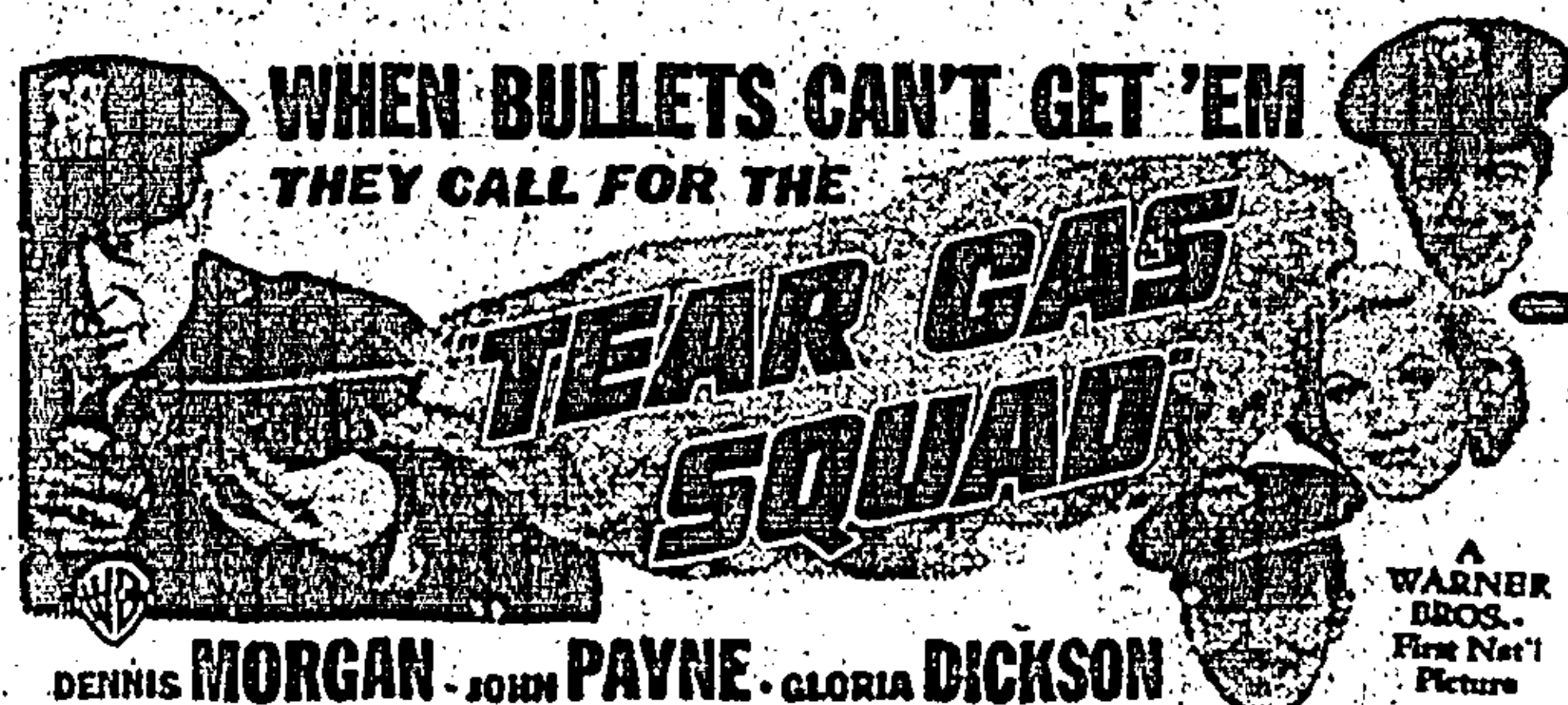
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Drama, comedy and romance centre around Warner Baxter and Andrea Leeds in the 20th Century-Fox motion picture "Earthbound," which comes to the King's Theatre to-day. Through spectacular motion picture magic, Baxter is projected on the screen as a ghost in this amazing film.

RAIDERS GUNNED FIRE FIGHTERS

When Nazi raiders made their first daylight attack on a large North-West town one evening people were just going in for the second houses at the theatres and the centre of the town was packed. Some hours later the Nazis came again and set on fire a big building.

This acted as a beacon for successive waves of bombers, who made it their target.

Bombs were dropped all round, and firemen working on the blaze and people near by were machine-gunned.

The raids continued until early the following morning. Seven people were killed in one shelter, but high calibre bombs dropped near others without damaging them.

Two planes were believed shot down by heavy anti-aircraft fire.

Longest Raid

In one industrial area several centres had their worst and longest air raid of the war, when people were in shelters during the night and early the next morning. Raiders came over in waves dropping a large number of high-explosive and incendiary bombs in many districts, where several fires were caused.

In one town a delayed-action bomb exploded several hours after the raiders had passed and caused casualties.

In another town a high-explosive bomb fell on to a gas main and caused a fire which brought other raiders to the spot and several other bombs were dropped nearby.

Seven Hour Visit

A few people were killed and a number injured, many of them seriously, in another industrial town in the North-West, which had its most intensive and prolonged raid lasting about seven hours.

One of the victims, a man, was driving his car when the car was hit by an incendiary bomb. The car was burned out and the man himself was burned to death. A few yards away a high-explosive bomb landed in the roadway and killed a girl.

People on their way home from places of entertainment late that night spent more than four hours in the public shelters when a North-West town had its fourth successive night raid. There was a small number of casualties.

At one theatre back-stage workers were still clearing up when a light-calibre bomb struck a ten-storey commercial building next door.

A bomb fell in a street of houses in a working-class district. Three of the houses were demolished. The families in two of these were safe in shelters, but a man and his wife in the third house were buried beneath brickwork and other debris and had to be dug out.

They were both taken to hospital suffering from shock, but were discharged later.

GERMAN THREAT UNWORKABLE

A New York economist told representatives of America's mining industry they have little to fear from "the threat of Germany to outlaw gold in the event of her victory in the present conflict," states the "Christian Science Monitor."

Barter cannot be used as a substitute for gold and Germany does not prefer barter regardless of statements by leaders whose word has failed in the past, economist Thomas M. McNiece declared at the Metal Mining Convention of the American Mining Congress. The present or eventual effects of war conditions on several metals were discussed in a symposium recently.

Threat Discounted

Discounting what he called a German threat to demonetise gold and establish a world-wide system of barter Mr. McNiece said Germany's barter efforts to date were undertaken as "a last resort when her gold and foreign exchange reserves were exhausted."

As she has taken over one country after another, Germany has reached for nothing more quickly than for the gold and other financial assets of those

B.B.C. HAS ITS OWN HOME GUARD

In normal times it is not an easy matter to enter the portals of the British Broadcasting Corporation. Now that the British Broadcasting Corporation has its own staff of keen-eyed Home Guardsmen it is almost as easy to go through the proverbial eye of a needle as to invade the precincts of a British Broadcasting station.

An announcer, whose tones please you as he reads the news bulletin, puts a sterner ring into his voice, when, dressed in uniform and holding his rifle at the ready, he protects the temples.

There are about one thousand members of the Home Guard protecting by day and by night the 26 stations of the British Broadcasting Corporation in various parts of Britain and there is little danger of a studio being invaded by Nazi agents as occurred in Vienna when Dollfuss was assassinated.

Immediately the Local Defence Volunteer movement was started there was a rush of applicants and the Home Guard is now representative of every section of the Corporation's staff.

No visitor is immune from scrutiny and even Miss Elizabeth Cowell, the woman announcer, whose features were so familiar in the days of television, has to show her pass.

Rifle Instruction

The Home Guard of the B.B.C. take their duties very seriously. The Corporation employs many ex-Service men who give drill and rifle instruction and in the provinces especially the military authorities have lent their aid.

Drilling is done in the studios and shooting experience is gained on rifle ranges, some of which were used by the rifle section of the British Broadcasting Corporation before the war. The work is engendering a happy spirit of comradeship.

countries," the New Yorker declared.

Technically, barter can not work unless we revert to living standards of many centuries ago. This in itself would promote revolutions all over the world.

Even if it could be made to work, barter would require complete and unqualified multilateral cooperation throughout the world — a condition impossible to realise.

The free operation of foreign exchange markets provides a place where international debtors and creditors meet, barter their obligations and settle the differences with gold. The only reason for differences is that obligations cannot be made to balance by this barter if balances are to disappear, somebody has to take less goods.



The love triangle in "Earthbound," the 20th Century-Fox film at the King's Theatre—Andrea Leeds (left), Warner Baxter and Lynn Bari. Baxter is the "man who isn't there," for he appears as a ghost in this film, thanks to clever Hollywood trick photography.



ALLY OF VIOLENCE

It is not the new allies the Axis may advertise, but the old ones Reichsfuehrer Hitler does not now talk so much about, that are still the most important allies of violence, the most formidable enemies of order and freedom.

A reminder of this is afforded by a letter written by a French officer to an American, and printed in the "New York Times." A very few words in this letter explain the strange behaviour of the French Government in the days just before its armistice with the Third Reich, and indeed, ever since. Why was the French Navy not kept beyond the reach of the Nazis? Why was the naval battle of Oran necessary between erstwhile friends? Why has France shown a willingness to capitulate to the enemies of freedom in Berlin and in Tokyo, and yet mustered a bitter capacity for resistance to the just claims of the defender of its own freedom, Great Britain?

Because some Frenchmen were more ready to take whatever comfort the Nazis would allow them, even at the price of liberty and self-respect, than to continue to stand with whatever remaining power they had against a predatory and tyrannical foe. This is the answer to be found in the French officer's letter.

To quote directly from the published version:

The two thoughts that might have made it possible to resign ourselves to the catastrophe, the good will of the Germans and their rapid victory over the English, both seem to be without foundation.

The italics explain so much. This is a letter recording French disappointment with the way things have gone since the German occupation of France. It speaks of current "systematic pillage" and the reviving hope of most of the now disillusioned French people that they will "be liberated."

The French are not alone in having harboured moral enemies within. Individuals everywhere have to face the temptation to escape the trial that confronts free men

In these terrible days the Briton in the United States cannot be far from the new editions that the evening press pours out and the wireless news that comes nearly every hour and can be heard in most private cars and taxi-cabs and offices.

"London Bombed," "Milton's Church Destroyed" scream the headlines, but the biggest type was reserved for "Berlin Bombed." There is no neutrality in the faces as they read the war news, and when you turn to the punctilious correctness of the leaders in most of the papers expressing surprise, even indignation, because the British announcements and German announcements of air victories and losses do not square it seems very odd indeed. The German communiques usually come out before the British, so the day usually begins badly here with the German stories and claims holding the front page, but as the day goes on and the British reports arrive with the British achievements and corrections of the German stories the last edition is usually the most heartening. So far I have not seen any buttons with "Up England" on them, but

there will probably soon be some expression of the swelling popular sentiment for our fight.

The British visitor now finds fewer commiserating glances from new acquaintances. The average American after the fall of France

By
JAMES BONE

did not think we had a dog's—certainly not a bulldog's—chance. In the delectable city of Baltimore people are very polite and take some questioning before they will talk, but from shopmen and clerks and mechanics I have had the same answer: that we were in pretty bad case, but it is different

now. "We thought you'd go like the Dutch and the Frenchies," they say, "but we got it wrong, and so did Hitler. Maybe you'll beat him." It is only here and there you hear someone say that "it's time we helped you," but when that is said it is said with characteristic American emphasis. It was a tremendous relief to those of the Republican party who were all for aid to England when, in spite of the bosses and party heads, Willkie was so surprisingly selected as the Republican candidate for President, as he took the same stand as Roosevelt on that issue.

But they had to face the apparition behind Willkie of McNary, the Republican candidate for the Vice-Presidency, who succeeded in leaving people in doubt whether he supported Willkie or not on this issue, and other leaders, Dewey, Taft and Vandenberg, still

unsevered from their isolationist past. Again, Senator Hiram Johnson, who is senior Republican and so, if Willkie won might have been head of the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs, and Hamilton Fish, who on party precedents would have become head of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, are arch-isolationists. To queries how Willkie could possibly carry out the "aid for Britain" policy of his acceptance, speech when there were few signs of the Republican party's coming into line with him, his friends replied rather cynically that these leaders are swinging in the popular current and responding to events and would accept Willkie's full programme.

Any picture of the United States would not be complete that did not include some instances of discouragement.

At a luncheon in Detroit, where I found many warm friends of Britain, some of them working incessantly for active intervention, I was placed next to one of its leading journalists. I was anxious at the time to clear up the constitutional position about the over-age destroyers and asked help on the point. Very deliberately came a reply to the effect that never since the Atlantic Ocean met the Pacific Ocean had there been a man like That Man at the White House. Anything more despicable, more dishonest, more disruptive of all that was best, &c. It was like a page from Dickens's caricature of a remote America. Twice again I sought to get from my professional colleagues the destroyer question straightened out, but each time it was the same—what was the good of discussing any international question or to expect anything right to be done so long as the government of the United States was in the hands of the most unparalleled lot of crooks and bunglers who ever disgraced, &c., &c. It is a not negligible part of the well-to-do Middle West and the East which thinks like that, although most would not express it so naively. Everything That Man does, they say, is tainted; there is a double motive behind what seem his most sensible acts. Many senators have said openly that the President's approval of the course charted for the refuge ship American Legion—it turned out that the American naval experts had approved the course—was deliberately done by the President so that the ship should be sunk and the refugees killed and that, as a result, the United States would enter the war!

It must be realised that there is nothing in British politics in modern times that helps us to understand the bitterness and suspicion among the majority of business Americans against President Roosevelt. But some of these critics, unlike my Detroit friend, put the fight against Hitler and the protection of democracy first. An anti-New Dealer in Cleveland, for instance, wrote to me before the Republican Convention to say that if his party put up a candidate with the slightest suspicion of isolationism he and thousands of Republicans would "hold their noses and vote for Roosevelt."

Another body of opinion that is equally unsatisfactory to us is a quickly decreasing group which thinks that aid to Britain may be throwing away good weapons, for we may not be able to hold out long. This argument has been used about the destroyers. "Show us you can hold Hitler," they say. It is being admitted by some of them now that Britain is holding him, but the slogan suggested for this group is "It's too early to help Britain; it's too late to help Britain." It is still too soon to say whether the swing of public opinion which one seems to discern everywhere towards the United States taking some little risk in her aid to Britain has yet reached a sticking-point.

Desert As A Factor In Strategy

By
Walter Fitzgerald

As the campaign in the inhospitable region of North East Africa develops the environmental advantages are, for the time being at least, on the side of the defending forces. Egypt and Ethiopia, strongholds of British and Italian power respectively, are each enclosed and largely isolated from the continental interior by great stretches of desert or poor scrubland where an invading army would find it impossible to live on the country. So far each of these strongholds has proved to be easily defensible, if we except sporadic air-raiding on both sides.

In this war, as in those of the past which have involved the Mediterranean Basin, the Lower Nile Valley, offers the richest territorial prize. A victorious Power would not merely gain control of the only land in North East Africa capable—because of adequate water supplies—of intense cultivation throughout the entire year, but would also dominate the canal-and-sea route to the Indian Ocean, thereby strangling the British sea-way to the Far East.

Italy's Weak Points

Fortunately the enemy's position is weakened by the wide separation from each other of the two groups of Italian colonies, and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan interposes a wedge nearly 900 miles wide between the Libyan and Ethiopian frontiers. Moreover, the recent extension of

to-day. The French officer's letter discloses the moral bankruptcy to which this temptation can bring one—not only to the surrender of one's own rights but to a willingness, no, an eagerness, to see other defenders of those rights quickly defeated. The Axis may boast a new ally, but the boast holds no such dangers as those voiced by a friend of free men in France who has seen another sort of ally take over his own country for aggressors.

Italian rule over Ethiopia has not much affected the strategical situation because of the enemy's complete dependence on the home country for reinforcements of men and all war material. No part of Italian Africa produces, even in time of peace, sufficient food and other commodities for the resident European population; virtually everything must be brought across the Mediterranean, and particularly is this true of petrol, coal, and manufactured goods of all types. The Italian Empire was until 1936 an empire of desert only, and the annexation of Ethiopia has been too recent to permit of any important agricultural or industrial development.

Italy finds that her air fleet cannot solve her geographical problem. Transport planes are of little use for the carriage of heavy military equipment in view of the enormous distances involved. From the main Italian bases on the coast of Libya to Addis Ababa, capital of Italian East Africa, nearly 2,000 miles have to be traversed. Add to this the difficulties of transporting supplies from Italy to Libya in the teeth of a relentless naval blockade by Britain, and the reinforcement of armies in Italian East Africa is seen to be a virtual impossibility. Ethiopia is besieged, and its Italian garrison will be starved out unless Mussolini is able to conquer Egypt.

Meanwhile the attack on the Nile Valley hangs fire, and the delay is attributable to the difficulties which geography imposes. Given the British Navy's supremacy in the Eastern Mediterranean—which is now assured—the Italian army in Libya, certainly not less than a quarter of a million strong, cannot be regularly supplied from Italy. Its very size is a burden. Being intended mainly for offensive action, it is too large for garrison purposes only, yet as soon as it moves eastwards towards Egypt its problems of supply are multiplied.

Much the greater part of Libya is irreclaimable desert, and its vast size on the map must not deceive us as to its small economic value. Italian military power there is concentrated within the narrow Mediterranean fringe where a small winter rainfall, is

received. Also within this fringe are found the farming colonists from Southern Italy, who, to the number of about 50,000, have been planted, at tremendous expense, in the last few years.

Routes Across The Libyan Desert

The narrow but comparatively fertile northern margin of Libya provides the obvious route, with the most abundant supplies of water, for an army moving on Egypt, but its maritime position would give the British fleet full opportunity of hammering its lines of communication. Consequently the enemy's strategy does not rule out one or two alternative routes farther south, in the desert proper and outside the range of naval guns.

All routes to the Nile are dependent upon the oases which occur but rarely throughout the sandy and waterless Libyan Desert. Between the oases stretch vast areas of sand-dune a terrain which provides the hardest possible going for an army, and, because the going would be slow, water would have to be carried. In the cases of the two main routes the distances between the oases are excessive for a large, heavily equipped army. The northern and most feasible way would be from Jaghub to Siwa, just inside the desert frontier of Egypt, and then on by various possible tracks to reach the Nile downstream from Assiut. The distance from the Libyan frontier to the Nile by this route is approximately 500 miles.

Another route, at the outset more difficult because less accessible than the first from the maritime bases of Libya, is provided with fewer oases, so that the waterless stretches are longer. If it were used by an Italian army, as seems rather unlikely, the great Kufara group of oases, formerly the headquarters of the powerful Senussi confederation and 500 miles from the Libyan coast, would provide the starting-point. From there the nearest Egyptian oasis within Egypt is Dakhla, over 400 miles away, and this distance would be virtually impossible except for a lightly-armed raiding force.

Our argument has considered only the physical difficulties confronting an Italian offensive adventure. We have not taken into account the strength of the Anglo-Egyptian defending forces. Yet that strength is likely to grow until by its very counter-offensive power the Italian attempt would be doomed, even if the enemy's overseas and trans-desert communications were more secure than they actually are.



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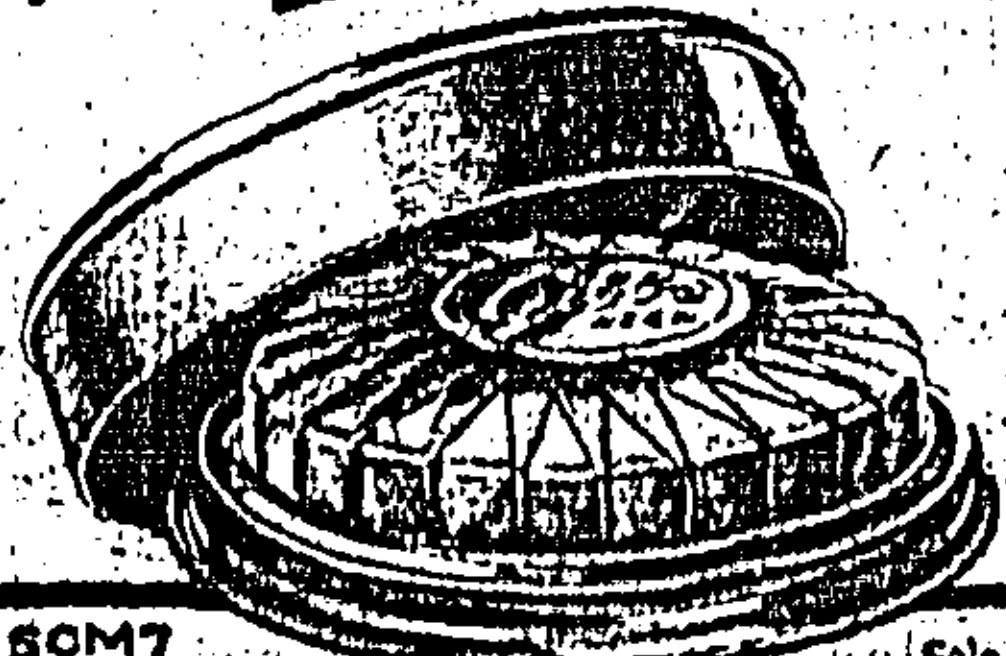
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CHINA ISSUES STRONG WARNING TO FRANCE OVER INDO-CHINA

A STRONG WARNING TO FRANCE — UNDER THE TITLE "ADVICE TO THE FRENCH AUTHORITIES" — IS CONTAINED IN A LEADING ARTICLE IN THE OFFICIAL CHUNGKING NEWSPAPER "CENTRAL DAILY NEWS," IN WHICH MUCH INFORMATION IS REVEALED CONCERNING JAPAN'S LATEST DEMANDS ON THE FRENCH INDO-CHINA AUTHORITIES.

Referring to the French handing over of the Chinese Court in the French Concession, Shanghai, the Chinese official organ declares that French concessions to Japan merely encourage further encroachment on French interests in the Far East by Japan.

The paper adds:—

"When General Nishihara, former Japanese special representative to French Indo-China, arrived in French Indo-China, we warned the French authorities of the danger of permitting the Japanese to enter French Indo-China.

"When the Franco/Japanese agreement was signed at Hanoi on September 22, we plainly warned French Indo-China that Japan aimed at the permanent occupation of the whole of French Indo-China and not merely for the passage of troops."

Japan's Demands

"Japan is now permanently stationing troops in French Indo-China, occupying five air fields, demanding a loan of \$500,000 a month and demanding the right to circulate Japanese military yen notes in French Indo-China."

"Thailand's arrogant attitude towards French Indo-China is entirely the result of Japanese intrigues.

"Once a clash occurred, Japan will occupy the southern part of French Indo-China on the pretext of the preservation of peace and order and will use Southern Indo-China as a base for an attack on Singapore.

"The handing-over of the Chinese Courts in the French Concession in Shanghai took place after the French Indo-China incident, from which the French ought to have benefitted by the lesson.

"This is particularly deplored by all the friends of France."

China And France

"The Chinese Government and its people have always treasured the principles of justice and friendship. We never slighted France as a result of the French defeat in the European war, in fact we always expressed our deepest sympathy for France's plight.

"After the signature of the Franco/Japanese agreement we merely blew up railway bridges for self-defence.

"Yet the French repeatedly spread rumours of alleged Chinese violations of French Indo-China's borders.

"To be frank, in the face of such actions by France the Chinese Government should take retaliatory actions."

Limit To Concessions

"Every country has its own difficulties. Under foreign pressure and at the same time to preserve its own existence, it is understandable that certain concessions must be made, but there must be a limit to such concessions.

"No responsible statesman will make concessions which will bring about his nation's total destruction.

"Unless France is willing to abandon her interests in the Far East, she must realise that any mistaken move she makes now will result in irreparable damage to her rights and interests in the Far East when the time comes for the foundation of a settlement of Pacific problems."

"We hope France will not make concessions which are harmful to others yet will bring no benefit to herself.

"There is an old Chinese saying, 'It is suicide to quench the thirst with a poisonous drink.' —Reuter.

SHAMEEN CHAIRMAN TRANSFERRED

"Mr. A. E. Smith, Canton manager of Jardine's for many years and chairman of the Shameen Municipal Council, has been transferred to Tientsin.

Accompanied by his wife, he is expected to leave Canton this week. — Reuter.

Blown-up German Claims

German claims to have sunk during the first year of war some 4,323,000 tons of British and Allied shipping, were refuted yesterday in the Commons.

Mr. A. V. Alexander stated that merchant ships of all tonnages, including fishing vessels, sunk in this period and including neutral ships, totalled 2,855,870 gross tons as follows:

British 406 ships, 1,611,842 gross tons;

Allied 103 of 474,816 gross tons;

Neutral 253 of 769,212 gross tons.

It is noticed the Germans did not mention neutral tonnage, the inclusion of which would presumably have included the already greatly exaggerated totals.

Mr. Alexander added that the number of crews and passengers lost was approximately 3,327; saved 15,636; prisoners or interned 1,100.

Enemy losses in first 12 months of war, as far as were known, totalled 261 ships of about 1,269,000 tons.—British Wireless.

HUSBANDS' COMMITTEE HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The first meeting of the Evacuation Representation Committee was held at the Peninsula Hotel last night.

All members were present and the following officers were appointed:—

Chairman, The Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, M. A.

Vice-Chairman, C. E. Terry, Esq.

Hon. Secretary, F. C. Clemo, Esq.

Hon. Treasurer, J. F. Macgregor, Esq.

After outlining procedure, the following decisions were taken:—

(1) Decided to write a letter to Colonial Secretary to obtain recognition of the Committee as representing over 500 Husbands and Relatives of Evacuees.

(2) To draw up a questionnaire which is inserted below.

(3) To ask for subscriptions and donations.

(4) To cooperate with voluntary bodies in Sydney and Melbourne.

(5) To draft a petition to Secretary of State for the Colonies through Constitutional Channels in accordance with the views expressed at the meeting held on 8th November.

(6) To appoint a sub-committee to seek legal advice in the drafting of the petition and report to the General Committee on Friday 15th inst.

(7) Many other questions raised at the General Meeting were discussed and deferred to a subsequent meeting of the Committee for decision to be held to-morrow Friday 15th inst.

EVACUATION REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE REGISTRATION

Name of Husband or Relative

Address

Address of Evacuee

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SHANGHAI LAD JOINS EAST SURREYS

CONDITIONS AS A recruit with the East Surreys in Singapore and an adventurous expedition through the jungle at night, when the lorry in which the party were riding got lost, are described in a letter received by the parents of one of the Shanghai boys who recently left to join up. After certain probation and training in the ranks, recruits from Shanghai will be given an opportunity to obtain commissions, the letter says. The letter follows:—

"Since last week, nothing of any importance has happened. In my last letter I was enlisted in the Army. Now I am still in the same position.

"The day after I posted my last letter I went to the East Surrey's stores to draw part of my kit. The stores are located about 20 miles away, so you can imagine the long ride I had. We left at about 4 p.m. and got to our destination at 4.45 p.m., after riding through jungles, swamps, etc., rather like a scene taken from 'Trader Horn' or 'Sanders of the River'. On the way back — it was very dark by then — the driver, who did not know the country very well, having only just come from Shanghai, took a wrong turning, and we found ourselves deep in thick jungle, and in my imagination I could almost hear the crocodiles — or are they alligators? — snapping their jaws. We saw dozens of monkeys in the trees, chattering away like a bunch of old women, and eyeing us with suspicion. It was great trying to get out of that maze, and eventually we struck a road which was known to the driver. When we got back to camp we found that they were getting rather worried about us, and I am sure if we had been away for another hour or so there would have been a search party sent out for us.

Winding Roads

"To give you an idea of the winding roads we took, I must mention that one moment the moon was in front of us, then it would swing round to the left, and after disappearing into a cloud, appear at our rear. After that, we would find it was on our right, and so it went on. All this was on the one road, not as you may think, on different ones.

"Once I am settled down — this phrase is getting somewhat stale, isn't it? — I shall be given a chance of a commission. After serving for three months in the ranks, and if the Commanding Officer thinks you are suitable, an opportunity will be given in the Officers' Training Corps, where training will be given for the purpose of taking a 2nd Lieutenant's commission. Won't it be grand if I manage to get one pip!

"Yesterday we had a bit of excitement in camp. Somebody had emptied a tankful of gasoline on to the ground, and about ten minutes afterwards a cigarette end was thrown there by one of the soldiers passing by. Immediately a sheet of flame enveloped the petrol-soaked ground, and threatened the tents. As I was near the scene, I saw the start of the fire, and felt the terrific heat. When the fire call was sounded the men came running up from all directions and commenced to fight it, and prevent the tent's cars, etc., from being burnt. I helped by shovelling sand and mud on to try to smother the flames. At one stage the excitement ran high when it was seen that one of the army trucks was surrounded by flames and it was feared the tank would explode. However, by hard and quick shovelling the flames were completely put out, and though the truck was badly scorched, the tank did not explode, for which we were thankful.

Better Cinemas

"I went down town yesterday with a couple of chaps and saw the picture 'Earthbound' at the Cathay Theatre. The show was quite good and the shorts were excellent, not like the trash sometimes shown in Shanghai. The theatre is simply wonderful. The lighting effects were marvellous,

and the sound perfect. It is a newly-built cinema and is considered the best in Singapore with which I am in complete agreement. We also saw pictures of the British soldiers marching down Nanking Road when

evacuating Shanghai. We got some very good news films here, showing Spitfires attacking the German bombers, etc., and although I know there is a certain amount of propaganda included, it certainly does me good to see them in action.

"It is very, very muggy at present, and even as I am writing I hear thunder in the distance, so I expect we shall get some rain to relieve the heat. I am very sunburnt, and if I continue as I am I shall be black in another three months.

"The Surreys will be moving to wooden huts in a short while — just as I was beginning to like living in a tent — and I shall be nearer town then.

"I have been eating a lot of peanutties (the small, sweet bananas) coconuts, pineapples, etc. I have not seen any durians yet."

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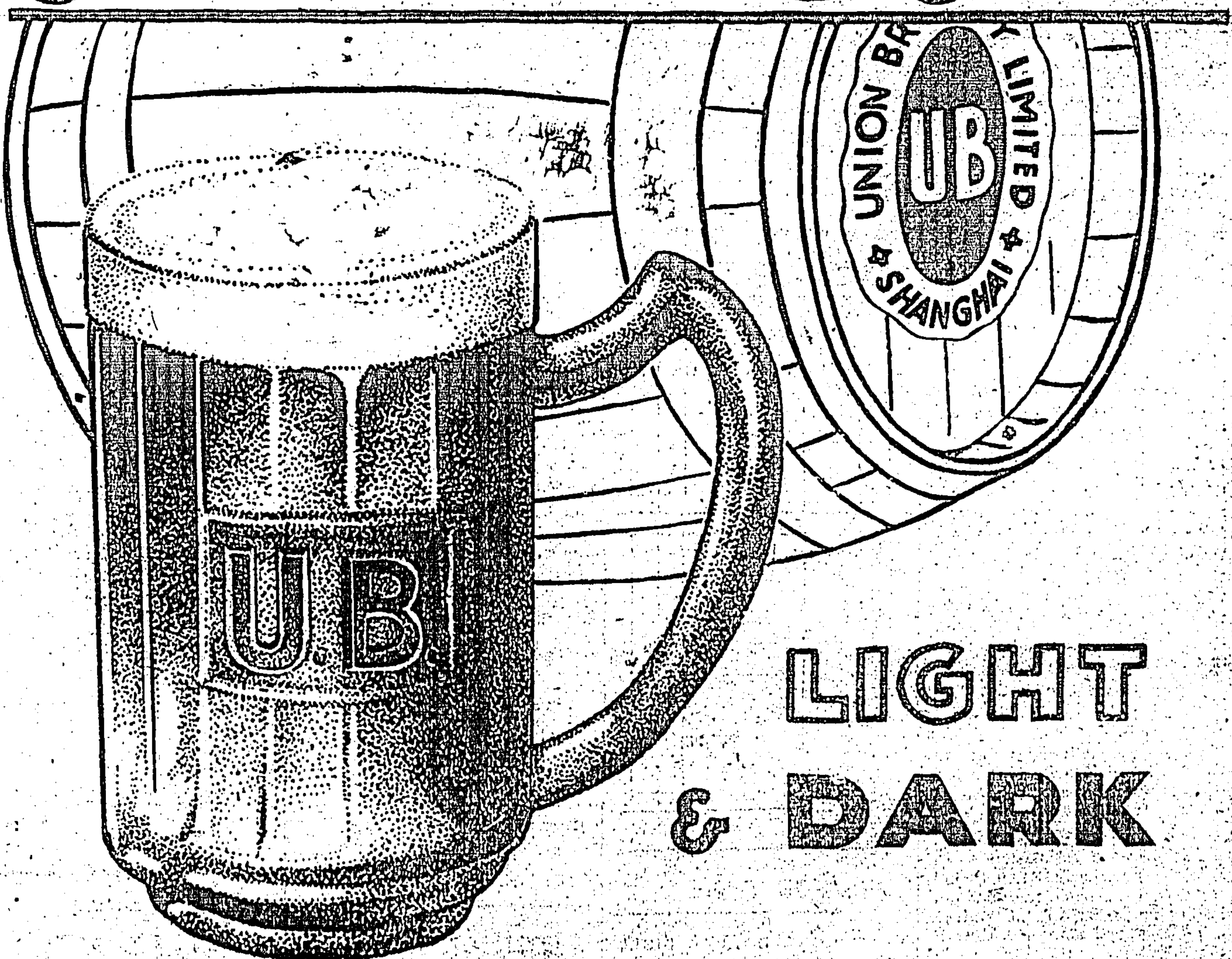
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Eleventh Extra Race Meeting,
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HANDICAP WEIGHTS

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Weights in the above have been reduced 5 lb. all round.
The correct weights will appear in the Race Book.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th November, 1940.

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Hong Kong 11th Nov., 1940.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS



PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 18th day of November, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4298.	Kowloon City Road, To Kwa Wan.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	As per sale plan	Approx. \$6,300	\$10,225



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By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,

General Manager.

Hong Kong, 4th October, 1940.

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BRIDGE NOTES

A GOOD RAISE

By The Four Aces

One of the first things a player learns about good bidding is to raise partner's suit only with sufficient support for his trump suit. This lesson is so familiar that to-day's hand caused havoc among even fine players in the recent Asbury Park tournament:

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠	8 5 4 2
♥	A 7
♦	A Q J 8 5
♣	8 4

♠	J 10 9
♥	10 6 5 2
♦	10 6 3
♣	A Q 5

♠	A Q 6
♥	K Q J 9 4
♦	K 7
♣	10 7 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

North has what appears to be a problem at his second turn to bid. Some players attempted to pass the buck by bidding three diamonds in the hope that South could carry on. But when this was done, South gave up the struggle. North's diamond bid and rebid indicated a hand with no fit for hearts and a general inability to play the hand at anything but a diamond contract. Since South's hand was not nearly strong enough to raise to game in diamonds or try no-trump despite North's sign-off, he simply passed North's three-diamond bid.

Other North players tried two no-trump—a truly horrible bid, since the North hand is devoid of stoppers in either of the unbid suits. Quite naturally the South players, in those cases went to three no-trump; and the natural club opening speedily defeated that bad contract.

Thoughtful players realised that South's heart rebid showed a strong five-card or a six-card suit. In that case North's doubleton heart Ace was sufficient support. As long as North's strength called



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for a second bid, the heart raise was safest and most constructive.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, vulnerable against non-vulnerable opponents, you held:

♠	A Q 7
♥	A K 6 3
♦	9 6
♣	K J 7 4

The bidding:

You	Partner	Schenken	Jacoby
1♥	Dbl.	2♥	Pass
(7)			

ANSWER: Pass. Your partner has a very weak hand whose only redeeming feature is support for hearts. Game is practically out of the question, especially since the double locates most of the missing high cards at your left. You are reasonably safe where you are, but any further bid may get you into trouble.

Question No. 564

Score 100% for pass, 40% for two no-trump or three clubs, 30% for three hearts.

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner and, not vulnerable against vulnerable opponents, you hold:

♠	8
♥	A K J 10 7 3
♦	K 9 7 4
♣	8 5

The bidding:

You	Partner	Jacoby	Schenken
1♥	Dbl.	2♥	Pass
(7)			

What do you bid? (Answer To-morrow.)
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OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED



"That's strange—plenty of other women do their knitting at the movies!"

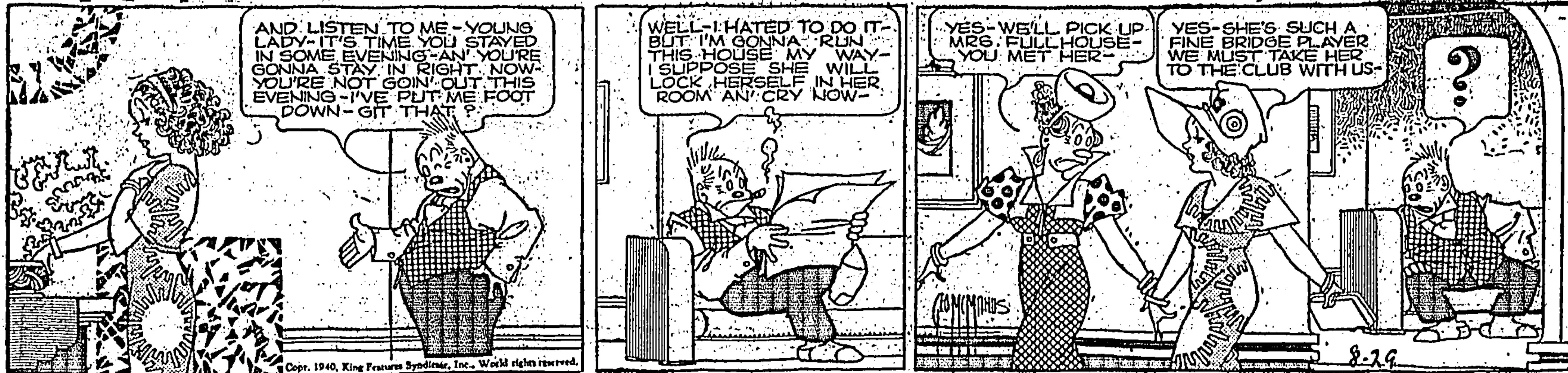
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Made Without Eggs

The housewife will certainly be glad these days of recipes for eggless dishes, and this week a cookery expert has prepared cakes, pies, and sweets — all without eggs.

Cheese Crisps

Put 4oz cheese through mincer and cream it with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter; add salt and cayenne to taste and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup flour. Form into a paste and place in ice chest until well chilled and firm. Roll out thinly on a lightly-floured board, cut into finger lengths, and place on unbuttered cooking trays. Place once more in ice chest until firm, then bake in a hot oven for about 7 or 8 minutes or until a light brown.

Vegetable Hot Pot

Parboil 3 cups diced potato; drain well and place a layer in the bottom of a well-greased glass ovenproof dish. Fry 3 thinly-sliced onions in 1 tablespoon margarine or good dripping until soft, but not too brown. Parboil 1 cup carrots, cut into strips about the size of a wooden match, also $\frac{1}{2}$ cup diced celery. Make a sauce with 1 tablespoon melted butter or dripping, add 1 tablespoon flour, cook a little, add 2 cups vegetable stock or milk, stir until thickens. Simmer for 5 minutes, then add pepper and salt to taste and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup grated cheese. Spread a layer of sauce over potatoes, then a layer of onions, etc., then another layer of sauce. Continue until dish is full, having sauce for top layer. Sprinkle with buttered crumbs and bake in moderate oven for 45 minutes.

Water Wafers

Sift 12oz plain flour, 2oz corn-flour, and a good pinch salt together. Rub in 3oz butter and mix with enough cold water to form a soft dough. Roll out

thinly, stamp out into rounds, prick with a fork, and bake in moderate oven for about 10 minutes. Store in airtight tins.

Apple Snowballs

Well wash 2 cups rice and pour on 2 cups boiling water and bring to boiling point. Add 2 cups milk and the thinly peeled rind of 1 lemon, good pinch salt and 2 tablespoons sugar. Cook until rice is tender and moisture absorbed. In the meantime, peel and core 6 medium cooking apples and fill centre with raisins or dates. Divide rice into as many portions as apples, press out carefully, then place a prepared apple on each and fold rice over apple, completely covering it. Tie in separate pieces buttered paper, then cloth, and boil for 1½ hours. Turn out carefully and serve with cream or melted butter and sugar.

Butter Scrolls

Cream 6oz butter well, gradually add 2oz icing sugar, vanilla to taste, and 6oz sifted flour. Beat well until soft and creamy. Put mixture into a forcing tube with rose pipe attached and force out mixture in the shape of scrolls. Allow a space between each scroll as they spread a little. Allow

them to stand in a cool place to harden, then bake it a hot oven for a few minutes.

Date Cake

Place in a saucepan 8oz butter, 8oz brown sugar, 1lb dates, and $\frac{1}{2}$ pint warm water. Bring slowly to boil and simmer for about 5 minutes stirring all the time to prevent burning. Allow to become quite cold, then add 12oz plain flour, sifted with $\frac{1}{2}$ level teaspoon ground cinnamon, $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon mixed spice, and a good pinch salt. Add 4oz shelled walnuts and 1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda, dissolved in 1 tablespoon boiling water and $\frac{1}{4}$ pint warm milk. Mix well together and bake in a well greased and floured oblong cake-tin in a moderate oven for about 2½ hours. Allow to become quite cold, ice with lemon icing and sprinkle with chopped walnuts.

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An Ensemble in Black



A black coat with black chenille epaulets distinguishes Virginia Grey's one piece coat with military gold buttons. It's high round neckline is collarless and the actress wears it over an afternoon gown of black crepe. Her large black felt beret has a royal blue feather slit through the front facing. Black patent shoes, a bag matching her costume, and beige slip-on gloves complete the dressy ensemble which Miss Grey wears.

Hobbies of the Stars



Diana Lewis, like many another feminine film player, goes in for knitting between scenes of "Bitter Sweet," in which she appears with Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy.

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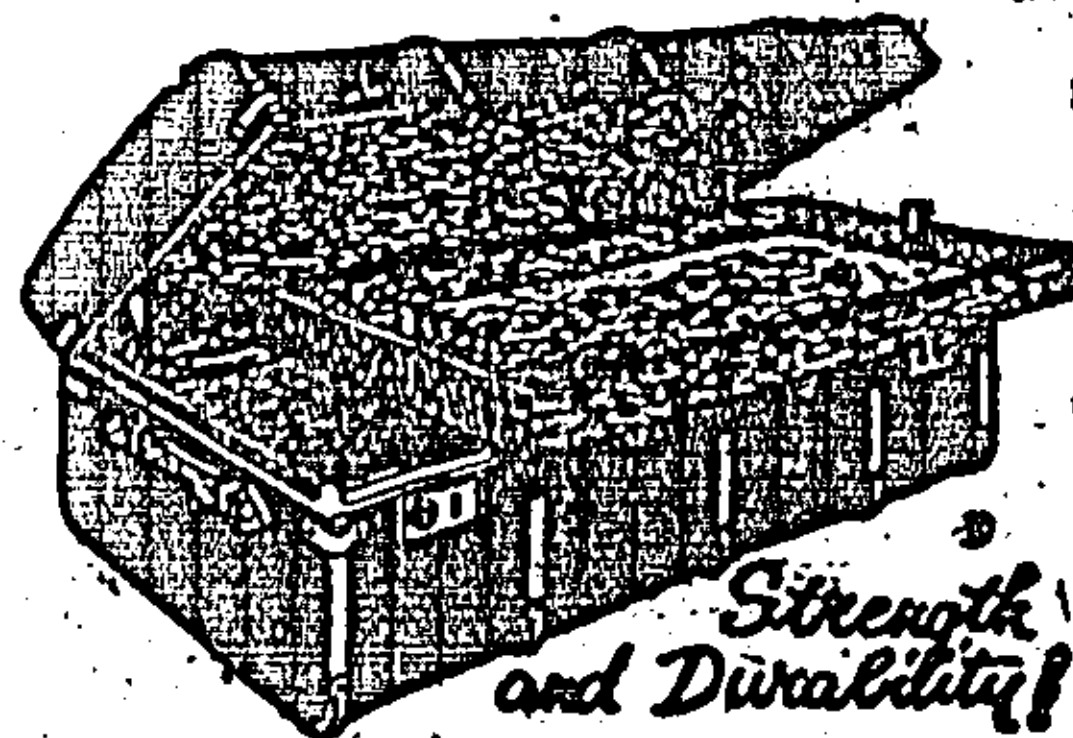
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1.45 p.m.—Variety.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.02 p.m.—An hour of Dance Music.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

7.30 p.m.—Billy Russell (Comedian) in "On Behalf of the Working Classes".

7.43 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Orchestral.

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8.35 p.m.—Interlude.

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Due to the congestion on the cinder track on galloping mornings, the Jockey Club authorities have decided to allow the new Australians to trot on the grass track on Wednesdays and Saturdays, providing the course is dry.

RAMSGATE'S TUNNELS SAVED HUNDREDS

Every man, woman, and child in Ramsgate recently was saying the same thing: "Thank goodness we built the tunnels" says the "Daily Mail." When the German raiders poured 250 high-explosive and incendiary bombs on the town many houses were destroyed or made uninhabitable, and others had windows broken, roofs stripped, or ceilings shaken down.

But the number of casualties, compared with the damage done, were astonishingly few.

The 3½ miles of tunnels, 70 feet deep, cut through Ramsgate's chalk foundation just before war began, at a cost of £60,000, were the reason.

As soon as the sirens went off thousands of people poured into the tunnels by 23 different entrances. Then, while A.A. guns banged and bombs crashed overhead, they waited, confident of their complete safety.

When a bomb damaged an electric cable, and the lights went out, a few women screamed, but hurricane lamps were quickly brought. Ramsgate's peace-time population is 34,000. The tunnels can hold 60,000.

The townspeople quickly set about tidying up the place after the raid. Streets strewn with the debris of wrecked homes were swept clear. Children were laughing and playing in the streets while demolition squads searched wrecked homes.

Mr. C. E. Lilley, a newsagent, was on his rounds when his wife was killed.

"She always went into the shelter for a raid," he said, "but this time she had two customers in the shop and waited to serve them before she took cover."

A retired corporation employee was blown into a public-house doorway and killed. The licensee was serving customers as usual on the next day.

A one-legged A.R.P. warden was killed on duty when the porch of a house fell on him. Next door, Mrs. Woodward, aged 77, escaped unharmed though the rest of the avenue of houses was demolished.

A Southsea boy crouched between his father's legs in a bomb-basement during the raid on Portsmouth. When a rescue party, led by a naval lieutenant, arrived, he said, "It's all right, I'm quite safe, daddy." The man had placed himself over his son, when debris fell around them.

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Last week Corporal Campbell stepped out of the train at Glasgow railway station. He was on leave from an A.I.F. camp in England, and was looking for Mrs. John Robertson of Hector Street, Glasgow. Her letter, among hundreds of others, had been received by the A.I.F. Welfare Officer, offering hospitality to any Australian soldier on leave who cared to pay a visit.

Corporal Campbell was anxious to see Scotland and accepted the invitation. Hence his presence on the platform at Glasgow.

As he peered through the crowd a woman approached. "You are Corporal Campbell?" she asked.

"That's men. You are Mrs. Robertson?"

They stood looking at each other curiously. "It's funny," said Corporal Campbell, "your face reminds me of something."

"And" she said, "I seem to know yours."

"Is your name Doris?" asked Corporal Campbell.

"Yes," she answered, "is yours Bill?"

Corporal Campbell's mind flew back to a schoolroom in East Brisbane twenty-five years ago.

"Bottle-legs!" he shouted, and the whole platform turned round and stared.

So, by an extraordinary chance two old school friends met in a strange country. Neither had the least idea of the other's identity when the invitation was issued and accepted.

Doris Bezzant of the East Brisbane school, came to Scotland last April to marry John Robertson of Glasgow, ship's engineer. A few weeks ago her husband was lost when his ship was torpedoed. But in spite of this tragedy she felt that as an Australian she ought to do her best to help an Australian soldier in England have a holiday.

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By "Adrem"

THERE WAS A LARGER PROGRAMME OF CRICKET MATCHES ON SATURDAY THAN ON ANY PREVIOUS OCCASION THIS SEASON AND, IN IDEAL WEATHER CONDITIONS, SOME VERY ENJOYABLE GAMES RESULTED.

As far as batsmen were concerned honours went to Donald Anderson and Harry Owen Hughes, who between them made no fewer than 190 runs in the same game, at Cox's Road, in the drawn match between the senior teams of Kowloon and Hong Kong Cricket Clubs.

Bowlers in the news were A. R. Minu, who was playing again seriously after a period of inactivity, and S. Mahmood, who returned yet another useful performance to take 8 for 46.

Other notable individual performances were A. Watson's fine innings for Civil Service juniors, which has earned for him a place in the senior team this week, and Interport footballer B. T. Gosano's first half-century—to my knowledge—in local cricket.

Once known as the footballing Gosano, recent events appear to have justified the changing of this to the Cricketing Gosano!

I was fortunate enough to see most of Anderson's innings at the K.C.C. and when I left the ground at about 3.30, the opening batsman had just reached 60. Returning to the club later I was quite surprised to learn that he had not scored a century. Judging by the first part of his knock, the attaining of that distinction appeared to be inevitable as he had been batting with supreme confidence and was treating the fairly mediocre bowling with the lack of respect it deserved.

Anderson's batting in the last season or so, even though he rarely failed to make runs, had led me to suspect that he was having trouble with his eyes as he had been painfully slow on several occasions. On Saturday he was at his best and batted as brilliantly as he has ever done.

Zimmern Scratches

Archie Zimmern, whose form thus far has secured promotion for him in the batting order, shaped as though he would make a lot of runs, but after he had reached 10, he was miserably personified and a period of scratching and scraping followed, during which he made John Pearce think he was quite a bowler. It came as quite a relief when Owen Hughes bowled him and he was able to return to the pavilion and hide his head in shame.

Reggie Broadbridge, going in fairly late, laid on the wood rather and scored a useful 39 not out, while Teddy Fincher, who, I believe, was mainly responsible for the idea, had the distinction of qualifying for the first compulsory donation to the War Fund via the tin which is now kept at K.C.C. and H.K.C.C. for those gentlemen who drop catches or make "ducks." Vice-captain Lloyd rather rubbed it in, however, by meeting his captain before he had reached the steps of the pavilion with the tin prominently displayed!

Knight bowled some very useful stuff with the new ball for Cricket Club and John Pearce did better than he has done for some time after Archie Zimmern had bowled him in, while Owen Hughes also did pretty well.

Owen Hughes Hits Out

Owen Hughes completely dominated the H.K.C.C. innings. Going in first with Knight he secured the major portion of the 55 runs added for the first wicket, and he also had the unusual distinction of overshadowing Alec Pearce while 49 runs were added for the second wicket. He then went on to score 92 before being

caught by Anderson off Lloyd and was mainly responsible for the close proximity of his side's total to that of the K.C.C. at the close of the game, despite the fact that they had been left little time to get the runs.

Zimmern and Lloyd have settled down into a very useful bowling combination and they shared the six wickets that fell.

C.C.C. Improve

Craigengower again lost on Saturday, this time to Recreio at King's Park, but they did very well and at one period had the Portuguese team pretty worried. It is not impossible that they would have won but for their importation from Shanghai, F. R. Kermani, who was hit for 20 in one over and that, at that stage of the game, was that!

The Craigengower batsmen again failed badly Zimmern, Kermani and Fisher, the first three men, being the only double-figure scorers. It is interesting to note that the Recreio captain, E. L. Gosano, in this match broke up the "old firm" of himself and Ozorio, which has been one of the most consistent wicket-taking machines in local cricket for the past two seasons, in favour of himself and his younger brother, left-handed L. G. The latter justified this confidence and had a devastating last spell after bowling four fruitless overs, to finish up with 4 for 19. It will be recalled that L. G. was responsible for skittling out Civil Service early in the season.

Recreio started their innings confidently and after A. J. M. Prata had been dismissed cheaply, G. N. Gosano and Eddie Soares hit hard to advance the total to within comfortable striking distance. Then came that sensational collapse, although the most optimistic Craigengower player could not have really expected to win, as indeed they did not, Recreio having four wickets in hand when the game was won.

Billmorla could not get going but Hulse bowled very steadily and was always hard to get away. He has a very nice action and should be better than his usual figures would suggest. Macaulay, of D.B.S., had only two overs and took 2 for 2.

Sappers Do Well

Royal Engineers did remarkably well against Civil Service, who had out a very strong team. It was mainly due to two men, however, Major Grose and Sgt. Megson. Grose carried the Sappers' batting, making an undefeated 48 out of the Sapper total of 122 for 8 dec. but received little support. Fred Baker did more bowling on this occasion than he has done hitherto this season and appears to be working his arm in, while Norman Whitley took 3 for 27.

Civil Service started disastrously but Hollidge stayed with Attwell to stop the rot and Richardson and Perry thereafter both made a few. Nevertheless Civil Service had lost seven wickets for

RECREIO'S HUGE SCORE

By "Adrem"

An exceptionally strong Hong Kong Cricket Club junior side failed to distinguish themselves against Combined Small Units in a match at Chater Road on Saturday and were well beaten by nine wickets.

Dewar, I am told, was in fine form with the ball for the soldiers and had not King stayed in for a long time to make 39, the Club score would have looked fairly miserable.

Set to score 92, Small Units made short shrift of the task, the runs being knocked off for the loss of Logan's wicket. French made 49, Stonor 30 and Coombes 25 not out.

Feature of the match at Sookunpoo between R.A.P.C. and C.S.C.C. juniors was the fine batting of A. Watson—a name I have not been able to identify—who made 67 in such good style that he is to play for the senior team against K.C.C. on Saturday. Only Harper and Hawkins were able to make double-figures, apart from Watson, however, and C.S.C.C. were all out for 124, Young being the most successful Pay Corps bowler with 5 for 40.

R.A.P.C. batting was not good enough to force the issue and the match faded out in a time draw.

Good innings by Amplavanar and Gill and consistent bowling by N. Singh, Amplavanar and Gill gave University a good win over I.R.C. notwithstanding a gallant 46 not out by A. R. Suffiad, who went in at the fall of the second wicket and carried his bat. Ebrahim bowled well for I.R.C. and took 5 for 23.

C.C.C. Bowlers Flogged

Recreio batsmen had a field day at the Valley at the expense of Craigengower and ran up the huge total of 220 for 6 and then proceeded to put the home team out for 75.

Noronha made 64 retired, Silva 39, Carvalho 44 and "Betty" Gosano 50 not out. The latter's innings was a particularly bright one and he took heavy toll of the bowling, 48 of his runs coming in boundaries.

Consistent bowling by Recreio proved too much for all but Bill Way, who made 33. A. V. Gosano was the most successful Recreio bowler with 3 for 24, while Remedios took some cheap wickets near the end.

Despite good bowling by Lewis, Pope and Danrowsky of Police, K.C.C. were able to win their match at the Valley by 33 runs. Kenzie Baxter made 53, Luke 15 and Crabb 14 not out but K.C.C. batsmen, otherwise, were not very clever.

Simpson, playing in his first match this season, took 4 for 19 and Baxter took 2 for 8 to put Police out for 77. Reynolds and Carey being the only double-figure scorers.

98 when stumps were drawn and can be said to have had the worst of the match.

I anticipated that University would find A. R. Minu too much of a proposition and such proved to be the case. The Interport left-hander took 7 for 23 to skittle University out for 56, but, as I have remarked, this was not surprising. What was probably the best feat of the match was undergraduate Mahmood's 8 for 40. In the face of the I.R.C. total of 160 for 8 his analysis was exceptionally good and bears reproduction.

O.	M.	R.	W.
15	4	46	8

and I.R.C. would probably have had some anxious moments had A. H. Mader not played a typical innings of 58 not out.

The University team has shown

KERMANI LEAVES

F. R. Kermani, the Shanghai all-round cricketer, returned north yesterday. He played two games for Craigengower during his stay here but did little of note.

H.K.C.C. Team

The following will represent H.K.C.C. 1st XI against Club de Recreio 1st XI on Saturday at the H.K.C.C. at 2 p.m.:—H. Owen Hughes (Capt.), C. W. E. Bishop, N. D. Booker, Surg. Lt.-Com. W. G. Finnie, R.N., Major D. C. E. Gross, T. G. C. Knight, J. C. C. Matthews, D. O. Parsons, J. L. C. Pearce, T. A. Pearce and C. D. N. Walker.

RECREIO SELECTIONS

The following will represent Recreio seniors: W. A. Reed (Capt.) H. L. Ozorio, L. G. Gosano, J. M. Gosano, G. N. Gosano, E. M. L. Soares, N. A. Beltrao, A. M. Prata, H. A. Barros, M. A. Remedios and M. Mendonca.

The following will represent Recreio juniors against Diocesan Boys' School on Saturday at King's Park, at 2 p.m.:—E. A. R. Alves, E. L. Gosano, A. M. Rodrigues, P. M. N. da Silva, A. A. Lopes, J. C. Fonseca, J. A. Soares, B. T. Gosano, A. M. Remedios, A. N. Oher and A. N. Other.

K.C.C. CRICKET TEAMS

The following teams have been selected to represent Kowloon Cricket Club in friendly cricket matches against Civil Service Cricket Club on Saturday:

First XI (Home):—E. C. Fincher, N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, E. F. Fincher, A. Zimmern, F. R. Zimmern, D. Hung, W. L. Rapley, B. D. Lay, R. T. Broadbridge and T. A. Madar. Second XI (Away):—S. A. Gray, R. T. Baldwin, E. Curtis, R. J. Fenton, R. A. J. Simpson, K. M. Baxter, J. R. Luke, H. Brokenshire, G. A. Goodban, L. R. Burch and F. J. Lay.

F. A. COUNCIL MEETING

BURMA CHINESE TEAM TO VISIT COLONY

APPROVAL WAS GIVEN at the monthly Council meeting of Hong Kong Football Association held last night to a proposed visit here of a Burma-Chinese football team.

Date for the Governor's Cup and "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup matches were also fixed.

Mr. Wong Ka-tsun was in the chair, others present being Messrs. C. A. Goldenberg (Hon. Sec.), W. E. Hollands, J. Skinner, Walter Hamming, Chen, H. K. Lee, Mok Hing, Cap. C. M. Mann, T. G. Stokes and P. O. Brown.

The first round of the Governor's Cup will be played on November 24 and the selection of the Association team was left to the League Management Committee.

Four Teams

It was decided that in the International Cup series, fixed for definite improvement and if their batting was more reliable they would upset more of the stronger teams this year. In this connection I might mention that Dr. L. T. Ride is now back in the Colony and if he turns out for University in the League it should be a tremendous help.

STONOR'S BIG INNINGS

Notwithstanding a fine innings by Stonor, who was well supported by Gardner and Haskins, R.A.O.C. were unable to force a decision against R.A.P.C. in a friendly cricket match at Sookunpoo yesterday and the match was left drawn.

Stonor and Gardner added 62 for the first R.A.O.C. wicket and Boocock (9) and Stonor put on 44 for the third wicket. With five wickets down, Ordnance declared.

Thanks to a gallant innings of 35 by Taylor, R.A.P.C. were able to save the match, their last two men being in when time was called. Boocock and Haskins bowled well, the former being particularly steady.

R.A.O.C.

Gardner, c. Adam, b. Murray	30
Stonor, st. Hemming, b. Taylor	66
Pinder, b. Chalcraft	14
Boocock, b. Taylor	9
Haskins, not out	18
Standing, b. Murray	1
Extras (B33)	33

Total (for 5 wkts. dec.) ... 171
Meekings, Jeffery, Merrick, Wright and Mendell did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ingleby	7	0	47	0
Taylor	7	1	38	2
Happe	3	0	9	0
Murray	7	0	34	2
Chalcraft	4	0	12	1

R.A.P.C.

Murray, c. Pinder, b. Haskins	5
Happe, b. Haskins	5
Ingleby, b. Boocock	4
Taylor, b. Standing	38
Hemming, c. Pinder, b. Haskins	8
Chalcraft, b. Boocock	3
Pendergast, b. Boocock	4
Adam, not out	1
Pinkney, b. Boocock	5
Stone, b. Boocock	0
Smart, not out	1
Extras (W2, B7, LB2)	11

Total (for 9 wkts.)

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Boocock	12	1	39	5
Haskins	7	1	28	3
Standing	4	1	5	1

December 25 and 26, to invite the following teams to take part:—China, England, Scotland and Portugal.

Letters received from the Hong Kong Rotary Club, the Hong Kong and Macao Relief Association and the Chinese Youths' Medical Relief Association, asking for games in aid of the charities under their auspices, were read.

After a lengthy debate a suggestion to play a match, the proceeds to be divided between these three associations was put forward by Mr. Hollands and was adopted by the Council. The match was fixed for December 22.

Approval was also given to a visit to the Colony of the Burma Chinese football team who, it was decided, should be informed that they should arrive not earlier than April 12 in order not to clash with the end of the season's League fixtures.

Cissies Pip Baskets At The Post

MAJOR R. J. J. L. Penford's team the CISSIES won the Navy Cup polo tournament at Boundary Street yesterday by scoring an 8-2 win over the Angels in their final game. Baskets, who were a point ahead in the tournament table up to yesterday, suffered a 7-6 defeat in playing the Dolittles, to finish second.

The winners lined up for the concluding match of the Tournament with Capt. R. J. F. A. Lawder at No. 1, Major Penfold (Handicap 3) at No. 2, Capt. T. W. Chattey (4), No. 3, and Capt. B. G. W. Yeatman (No. 4).

Earlier in the tournament the Cissies lost 6-7 to Baskets, beat Evergreens 5-3 and Dolittles 10-2. The team scored a total of 25 goals in four matches and received four. Capt. T. W. Chattey scored 13 of these, Major Penfold 8 and Capt. Lawder 4.

Following the games yesterday, Lady Grayburn, wife of Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, gave away the prizes.

First Game

The first game of the afternoon saw Baskets meet the Dolittles and lose by the odd goal.

Scorers were Guest (3), Smith (2), Fisher and Feilden for Dolittles, Wilson (4) and Atkinson (2) for Baskets.

Dolittles:—Lieut. B. Smith (2), No. 1, Lieut. R. E. Guest, No. 2, Major C. A. Fisher (2), No. 3, and Lieut. L. J. A. Feilden (4), No. 4.

Cissies:—Lieut. E. A. Bompas, No. 1, Capt. W. H. B. Chattey (2), No. 2, Major W. B. Wilson (5), and Capt. A. G. Atkinson (1), No. 4.

Better Team

Cissies were a better team in

\$4,535.74 FROM CHARITY SOCCER

It was revealed at the H.K.F.A. Council meeting last evening that the sum of \$2,596.74 was collected on October 10 from the charity soccer game between Combined Chinese and Rest of the Colony in aid of the B.W.O.F. and the B.F.R.D.C.

The total gate receipts from the annual Poppy Day Fund match on Monday were \$1,763, plus \$176, which was collected for the raffle for the ball used. This balance is less expense which has yet to be deducted.

TRAINER'S NASTY SPILL AT VALLEY

(By "RAPIER")

A nasty accident occurred at the Valley this morning, resulting in To Kar Po, a Chinese trainer in the service of Hong Kong Jockey Club, being sent to the French Hospital in an unconscious state.

The trainer was taking out a 1941 Australian Subscription Grifin, No. K31, belonging to Messrs. Tester & Abraham for its morning exercise, and on reaching the football stands the pony suddenly threw its rider on to the rails, with the result that he struck his neck against the stanchion of the rails with such force that he was rendered unconscious.

Help soon arrived, and he was placed in Mr. S. A. Sleep's car and removed to hospital.

In my notes recently I stressed the necessity of Jockey Club providing an Ambulance near the football stands.

CLUB TEAM FOR SATURDAY

Club's Rugby team to meet Army in a friendly match at Boundary Street on Saturday at 3 p.m. is as follows:

Thompson; Bosanquet, Day, Aitkenhead and Stewart; Charter and Morgan; Heasman, Macrae, Hackett; Gairdner, Needham; Godfrey, Taylor and Kennedy.

Referee:—J. S. Riddell.

Thomson, who is still nursing an injured arm, is being rested and Morgan is being given a trial at scrum-half. Bosanquet is back after a brief absence with an injured knee, and Godfrey has been reinstated in the pack as G. G. Davies is unavailable.

K.C.C. BOWLS TEAM

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in a friendly game of lawn bowls against Kowloon Tong on the latter's ground on Saturday, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

A. W. Smith, A. H. Martin, G. E. Taylor and E. Kern; A. Madar, J. Hempsey, W. Parson and J. Fraser; A. C. Tribble, P. Wellwood, A. Steven and H. Overy.

MORGAN EXCELS AT SCRUM-HALF

CLUB "A" BEAT A WEAK NAVY TEAM BY A GOAL AND FOUR TRIES (17 PTS.) TO A PENALTY GOAL (3 PTS.), AFTER LEADING 14-3 AT THE INTERVAL, IN THEIR RUGBY MATCH AT THE VALLEY YESTERDAY.

Morgan, who played fly-half in the first half and scrum-half in the second—Hynes went to fly-half and Clemo on the wing—caught the eye on several occasions, opening up the game in very promising style.

With Thomson still nursing an injured right arm Morgan is more than likely to play scrum-half for Club against Army in their friendly game on Saturday.

Club forwards played well yesterday, especially Oleson, who was excellent in the line-outs.

Navy backs tackled badly and only Clark, who was probably

making his last appearance for them, impressed. He played a very plucky game at scrum-half and his gallant efforts deserved a better fate.

Aitkenhead opened Club's scoring but failed to convert his try, and Navy were on level terms when Hughes kicked a penalty goal. Morgan then scored, Redman failing with the kick, Needham added to the score, Aitkenhead failing to add the goal points, and just before the interval D. Hynes made a 50-yard dribble to score between the posts for Redman to convert. In the second half Thompson went over following a cross-kick by Taylor, Redman failing to convert.

Club:—Pecorini; Taylor, Aitkenhead, D. Hynes, Thompson; Morgan, Clemo, Oleson, Burford, Heasman; Moodie, Needham; Redman, Godfrey, B. Hynes; Navy:—Clough; Gracie, Mogerie, Adis, McGill; Wilson, Clark; Palmer; Richards, Stockham; Grangle, Ruthford; Taylor, Thornhill, Hughes.

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SINKING OF "BREMEN" DENIED

A report from the United States to the effect that the giant German liner "Bremen" has been sunk is denied by the official German News Agency, which says the report is devoid of foundation.—Reuter.

MOSQUE FOR LONDON

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IS TO ASK PARLIAMENT FOR £100,000 FOR A SITE ON WHICH TO ESTABLISH A MOSQUE AND AN ISLAMIC CULTURAL CENTRE IN LONDON.

The committee making the plans was received by the King in Buckingham Palace yesterday.

It includes the Egyptian Ambassador, the Saudi-Arabian Minister, the High Commissioner for India and Lieut.-Col. Sir H. Sirrawadi.

The committeemen were presented to the King by Lord Lloyd and thanked His Majesty for the gift from the British Government.—Reuter.

HITLER SEEMS TO BE PUTTING ON HIS PERSONAL MAGNETISM AT FULL STRENGTH IN ORDER TO BRING M. MOLOTOV TO AN AMENABLE FRAME OF MIND IN THE BERLIN TALKS.

Few diplomatic visitors to Berlin have engaged Hitler's personal attention so long. M. Molotov's visit to the Chancellery yesterday lasted for over four hours, and his talks with Herr Hitler lasted three hours of this time.

They also talked at length at a luncheon which Hitler gave in M. Molotov's honour.

At the official conversations after the luncheon, Ribbentrop was present as well as M. Dekanozov, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister.

The Councillor of the German Embassy in Moscow and the Secretary of the Russian Embassy in Berlin acted as interpreters.

The luncheon to Molotov was officially described as a "small luncheon party."

"A Small Party"

It was held in the old Reich Chancellery and the guests included some of M. Molotov's suite, Ribbentrop, General Keitel, Goebbels, Dr. Ley (chief of the Labour Front), Dietrich (the Reich Press Chief) and "the commander of Hitler's bodyguard and others."

Von Doernberg, Chief of Protocol, called for M. Molotov at the Bellevue Palace and drove

with him to the Chancellery where the guard presented arms. Hitler greeted the guests in the flower-decked reception room of his own apartments.

Photographs were taken for the Press and news-reels. Molotov sat at Hitler's right hand at lunch.—Reuter.

TOKYO'S NEW SOUTH SEA BUREAU

IN ORDER SPECIALLY TO DEAL WITH AFFAIRS BETWEEN AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, INDO-CHINA, MALAYA, THE PHILIPPINES, NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES, THE JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE ANNOUNCED IN TOKYO YESTERDAY THE CREATION OF A BUREAU OF SOUTH SEAS AFFAIRS.

Part of the reason for this step is stated to be the conclusion of the amity treaty between Japan and Thailand (Siam) as well as the despatch of the Japanese Mission to the Netherlands East Indies.—Reuter.

CUSTOMS HEAD IN SHANGHAI

MR. L. H. LAW FORD, COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS IN SHANGHAI, WHOSE TERM OF OFFICE IS DUE TO EXPIRE SOME TIME THIS MONTH, HAS BEEN RE-APPOINTED BY SIR FREDERICK MAZE, INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF THE CHINESE MARITIME CUSTOMS, FOR ANOTHER TERM, REPORTS THE "SHUN PAO."

The local Japanese Press recently gave prominence to reports that Mr. Lawford's term of office was due to expire, hinting that a Japanese appointee would secure the post.

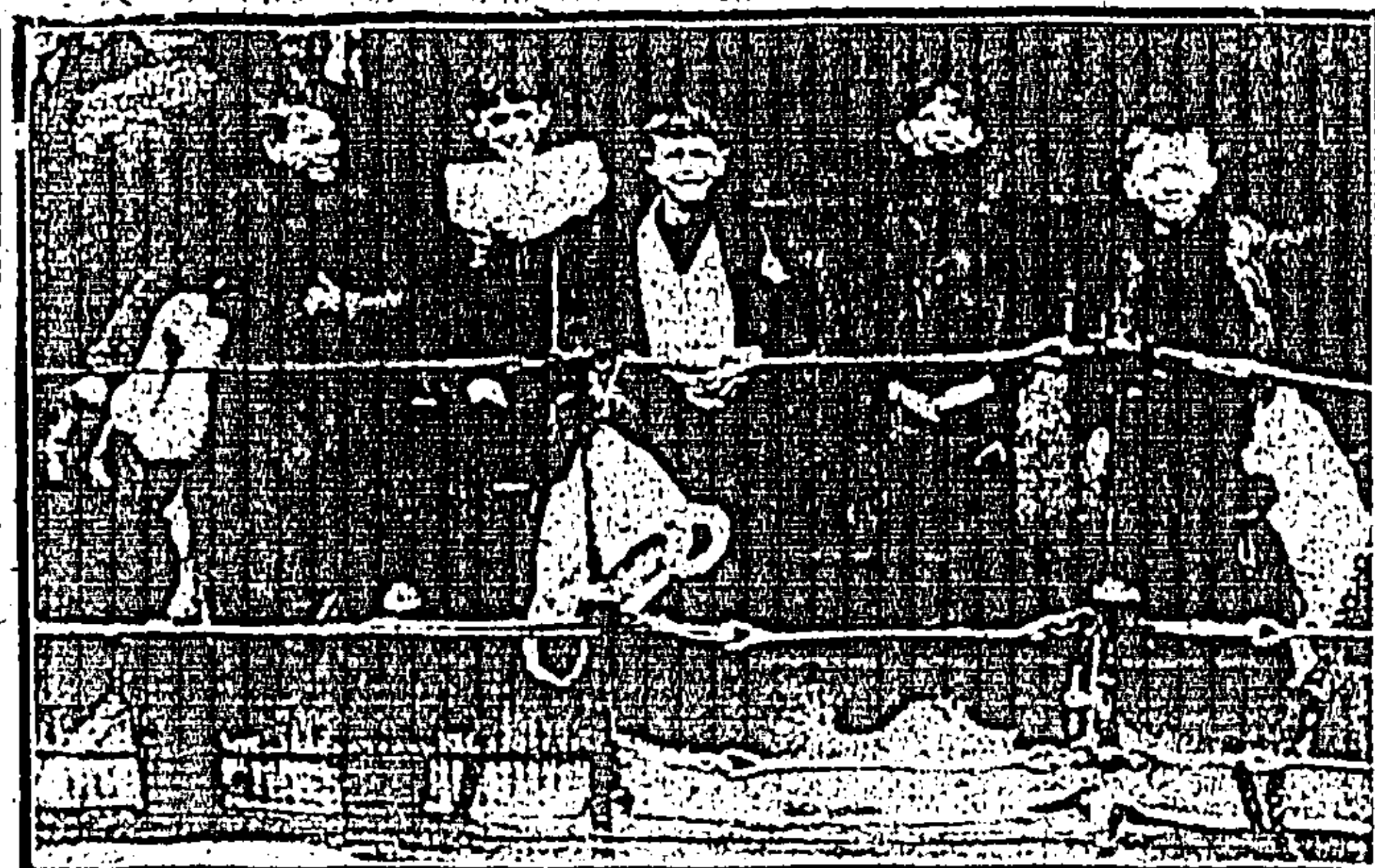
Re-appointment of Mr. Lawford is justified by the precedent set by the re-appointment of the Commissioner of Customs in Tientsin.—Reuter.

U.S. NAVAL YARDS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

The United States national defence programme is a "full year ahead of schedule," Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary for the Navy, told reporters after inspecting the navy yard at Boston (Massachusetts) yesterday.

Colonel Knox added: "In 1941 we shall be getting 26 new ships, including two battleships and one aircraft carrier."—Reuter.

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Five child survivors from a torpedoed evacuee ship. Kenneth Sparks, Howard Clayton, Harry Steele, Derek Capel and William Short, seen kitted up with their life-saving equipment aboard the rescue ship. (Copyright, Fox).

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(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington military experts said last night that the test of the Sperry bomb sight in actual warfare may result in its adoption as standard equipment by the United States Army and Navy.

They said that the U.S. Navy's own bomb sight, supplied as standard equipment on all U.S. Navy and Army bombers by the Norden Company, had never received a combat trial.

Experts said that in releasing the Sperry sight to the British, the U.S. Army, among other considerations, planned to stimulate competition between the rival makers.

The Sperry engineers insisted that their sight was equal to any produced anywhere, including the Norden sight.

British Choice

Army officers say that its selection by the British demonstrates its superiority over any English sights, which are considered better than those of Germany, Sweden, Switzerland and other European countries.

As evidence of the esteem in which the British hold the Sperry product, Washington officials say that the British, in return, are providing the U.S. Army with the specifications of their power-driven aeroplane gun-turret, an outstanding development of the 1940 air combat over Britain.—International News Service.

RUSSIAN
ENIGMA
UNSOLVED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Hitler/Molotov talks are the subject of cautious comment in the French press.

It is suggested in some papers that the most interesting outcome of these conversations will be found in the Far East, and these papers would not be surprised if, after having supported Chiang Kai-shek, Stalin should reach an agreement with Tokyo.

"Journal" is extremely cautious and says:

"Despite its appealing character, the enigma of Russian di-

Straits Of Otranto
CONVOY OF SUPPLY SHIPS
FOR ALBANIA SHATTERED

AN AUDACIOUS FORAY OF BRITISH LIGHT WARSHIPS INTO THE STRAITS OF OTRANTO WAS STAGED AT THE SAME TIME AS HEAVY BOMBERS OF THE FLEET AIR ARM WERE DEALING THEIR SHATTERING BLOW AT THE ITALIAN FLEET, AND A CONVOY OF ITALIAN SUPPLY SHIPS WAS TRAPPED.

This was revealed last night in a broadcast by Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, when he hailed the smashing of three of Italy's greatest warships as decisively altering the balance of sea-power throughout the oceans of the world.

HE REVEALED THAT THE SIMULTANEOUS ATTACK BY DESTROYERS AND LIGHT CRUISERS THROUGH THE STRAITS OF OTRANTO INTO THE ADRIATIC RESULTED IN THE VIRTUAL DESTRUCTION OF AN ITALIAN CONVOY OF SUPPLY SHIPS ON ITS WAY TO ALBANIA AND HEAVY DAMAGE TO UNITS OF THE ITALIAN NAVY ESCORTING THE CONVOY.

Two supply ships, he announced, were definitely sunk, a third was destroyed by fire, a fourth was heavily damaged and the destroyer escort was hit all over the place by British shell-fire.

At least two and probably three of Italy's battleships were blasted out of commission and four other vessels were crippled by the attack on Italy's principal naval base at Taranto—results confirmed by photographic reconnaissance—a history-making exploit which has altered the entire world naval situation.

In this one bold action, Britain has been able to proclaim the destruction of half Italy's capital ships, the complete supremacy of Britain as a Mediterranean naval power, with repercussions in other seas, and Mr. A. V. Alexander also cited this staggering onslaught, which caught the Italians completely unprepared, as proof of Britain's capacity to help Greece in her gallant battle against Italy.

First Lord's Broadcast

To an Empire thrilled over this exploit by the Fleet Air Arm, achieved three nights ago, Mr. A. V. Alexander said in his radio talk:

"One must never forget that behind official Soviet diplomacy there is the Comintern, which pursues its subterranean work."

"The results which will follow from the action at Taranto must be far-reaching.

"Not only has the situation in the Mediterranean been transformed, but the balance of sea power throughout the oceans of the world has been decisively altered.

"I said on November 2 that we would do all we could to assist Greece.

"Here at Taranto is the fulfilment of our pledge."

As if warning Japan or any other potential British enemy, Mr. Alexander said that the attack on Taranto "carries with it reactions on the entire naval situation in every quarter of the globe."—International News Service.

VICHY'S "PURGE"
OF ALLEGED REDS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") South-western France is "pursuing its repression against rampant Communist propaganda, which became especially active lately," says a message from Tabas.

The police yesterday arrested four men who, it is alleged, are Communist leaders. — Havas.

WEATHER FORECAST—N. E. winds, fresh, fine.

ALBANIAN
TROOPS
SURRENDER

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The rout of the Italians in the Pindus mountains is described in a Greek communique issued in Athens, which says:—

"The number of Italian prisoners captured in the Pindus mountains is continually increasing, and the booty taken by our troops includes many 75-calibre guns, many mortars and other material, as well as two flags.

"The Italians abandoned a large number of wounded, who are being cared for by our troops.

"Villages recaptured by our armies were utterly looted.

"A whole company of Albanian deserters has surrendered.

"The Italian air force bombed several villages, merely wounding several people."—Havas.

BLUE PETER BAN

The hoisting of "departure" signal flags on ships about to leave Hong Kong within two hours is now prohibited by the harbour authorities.



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WEYGAND REBELLIOUS RUMOUR

"Tendencious and unfounded rumours" is the Havas Agency's description of reports that General Weygand has refused to return to France from Africa and that Vice-Admiral Decoux has resigned.—Reuter.

SPEEDING CHARGE: CAUTION

SANITARY INSPECTOR FOWLER WAS CAUTIONED BY MR. Q. A. A. MACFADYEN AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING FOR DRIVING IN EXCESS OF 20 M.P.H. IN A CONTROLLED AREA. ACCUSED PLEADED NOT GUILTY.

Traffic Inspector A. R. Brittain stated that at 1.15 p.m. on October 19 when he was passing the Alhambra Theatre going towards Mongkok, he saw accused approaching the controlled area from the opposite direction. He accelerated and overtook another car just before entering the area at about 30 m.p.h. The Inspector turned his car and followed accused through the area. Accused was doing about 28 m.p.h.

Mr. Fowler denied that he drove through at 28 m.p.h., but said he entered the area at 28 m.p.h. on overtaking another car before entering. Sanitary Inspector Roberts, who was a passenger in his car, supported his evidence. Mr. Macfadyen said he was satisfied that accused was doing 28 m.p.h. after entering the area, though he was not satisfied that accused was doing 28 m.p.h. throughout the area.

CHINA'S TAXATION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

China's direct taxation scheme is yielding more revenue than the tax authorities expected.

At the end of October, direct taxation brought \$76,402,867.84, although only \$75,240,000 had been expected for the whole year.

The authorities now hope that the tax will yield between \$85,000,000 and \$100,000,000 by the end of the year.—Havas.

SIX-HOUR ALARM AT KUNMING

Kunming was under air raid alarm for nearly six hours from 8.15 a.m. to 2.10 p.m. yesterday. The city was visited by three waves of Japanese planes flying from Indo-China but no bombs were dropped.

Four Japanese aircraft reconnoitred the Burma Road and one lone plane was seen engaged on a similar mission in western Yunnan.—Central News.

Twenty-nine cases of tuberculosis, six of dysentery, two each of meningitis and typhoid, and one each of cholera and diphtheria were notified yesterday.

IT WAS REVEALED in the House of Commons yesterday that the action of the Officer Commanding the Spanish troops in Tangier in taking over full charge with the title of Government, was undertaken without consultation with any Government interested.

The British Ambassador in Madrid has been instructed to record a formal protest against that action.

"STRIKE" ON SHIP

Some fifty Chinese members of the crew of a British ship in harbour faced charges of "absenting" themselves from duty at the Marine Court this morning.

All are believed to be seamen from Shanghai, the ship's next port of call.

It is understood that the prosecution arises from a "strike" on board, a demand for increased wages being at the bottom of the affair. It is alleged that a similar strike was staged in New Zealand, that promises were given to the crew and that on arrival in Hong Kong, they were told that wages would have to be paid according to the ship's articles.

Mr. D. H. Blake, of Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for defendants, while Mr. W. A. Mackinlay of Deacons, represented the master of the ship, Captain E. Jones, and the agents, Messrs. Williamson and Company.

Agree To Arbitrate

An adjournment until 12.30 p.m. was granted for both parties to discuss the matter and, when the case was resumed, Mr. Blake indicated that defendants had agreed to have the matter settled by arbitration on the terms of the following memorandum which was later signed by the crew:—

"We claim the rates of pay agreed upon on August 19, 1940 between Captain E. Jones and the members of the crew. If a settlement cannot be arrived at, the claims are to be submitted to the Labour Officer or any person appointed by him for arbitration. We agree to abide by the arbitrator's decision."

The case was adjourned sine die by Commander J. Jolly, Deputy Harbour Master, who pointed out that the charge could be later withdrawn following settlement of the affair.

SENT TO PRISON

The case in which Lo Chiu, 30, was alleged to have held up the inmates of a house in Shanghai Street and to have stolen \$200 from one of them, was concluded before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning when accused was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

STOCK TAKING ?

Miss M. C. Clarke, of Kingsville Hotel, has reported the theft of articles valued at \$90 from the hotel between July 9 and November 9.

FAMILY TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

A married couple with their four children were admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday suffering from poisoning after having a meal, which included "mushrooms."

Commenting on this, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, also announced that the British Ambassador has been instructed to make it clear to the Spanish Government that the British Government attaches great importance to the maintenance of neutrality in the Tangier zone and to the avoidance of any action which might be harmful to British interests.

Mr. Butler added that the Ambassador had already seen the Spanish Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Asked if the British Government would take every action to see that Tangier remained neutral and unfortified, Mr. Butler said, "Yes, the British Ambassador has stressed the importance that we attach to the maintenance of the neutrality of the zone."—Reuter.

FRENCH FLEET RUMOURS

Reports in Zurich that the French Fleet has left the Mediterranean are stated to have come from Vichy.

The "Gazette de Lausanne" correspondent believes that the fleet is bound for French Indo-China to which, he says, Thailand (Siam) has delivered a fresh ultimatum.

In a message describing the Vichy Government's concern over the defence of the colonies, the Vichy correspondent of "La Suisse" also mentions an unconfirmed report that the fleet has left for an "unknown destination."—Reuter.

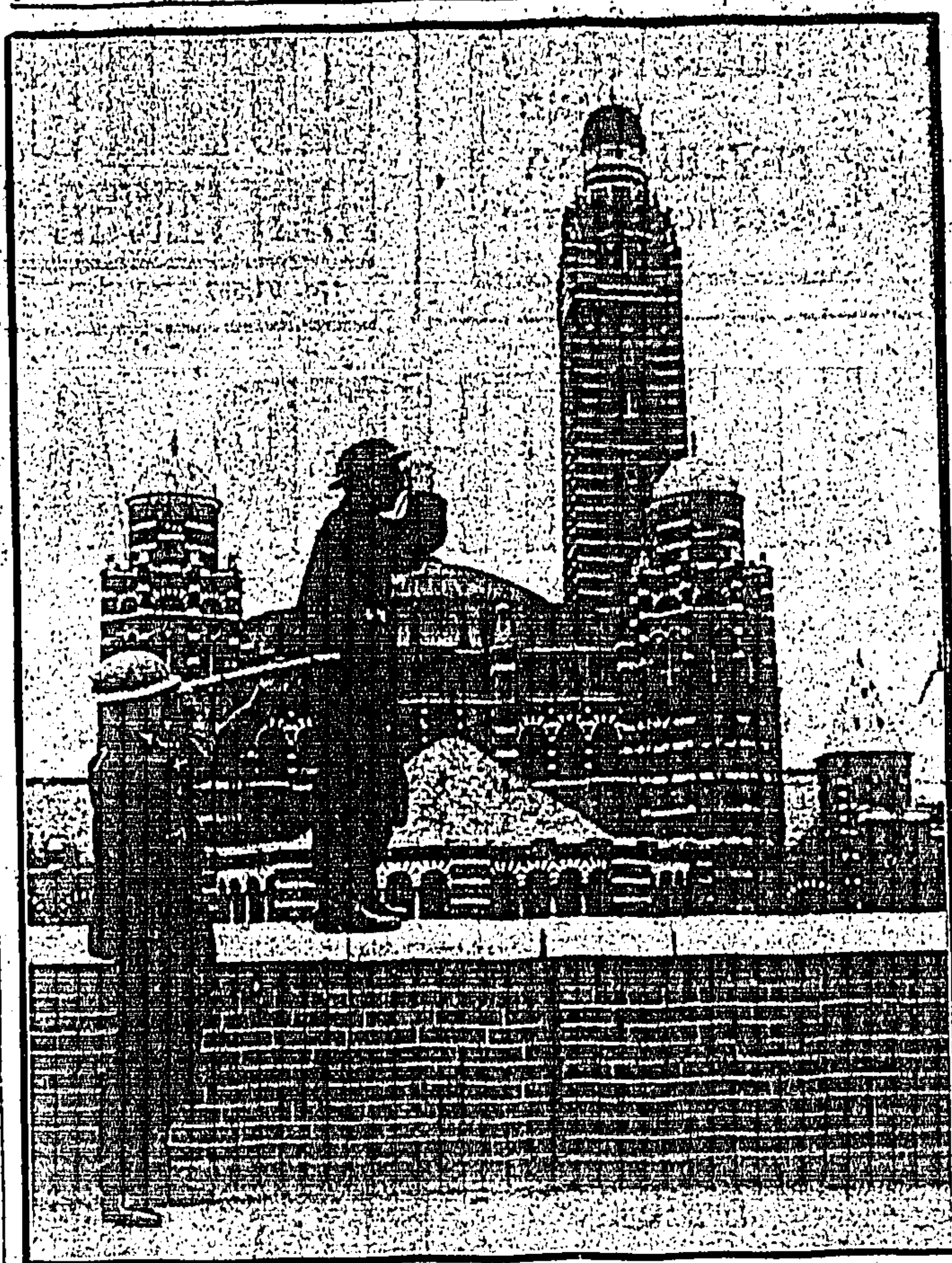
BLOCKADE OF FRENCH COLONIES

FROM MONDAY NEXT, ALL SHIPS TO AND FROM SYRIA, FRENCH WEST AFRICA, LIBERIA, PORTUGUESE GUINEA, MADAGASCAR AND REUNION WILL HAVE TO HAVE "NAVIGANTS" FROM THE BRITISH MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC WARFARE.

As in the other areas, failure to comply with the regulations means that the master of the ship, as well as the owners and charterers, may be denied the use of any British control facilities.—Reuter.

BEDROOM THEFT

Dr. H. L. Lee, of No. 305, Calne Road, has reported the theft between 9.45 p.m. and 9.45 p.m. yesterday, of \$67 from his bedroom.



Westminster Cathedral has adopted the system of "roof-spotting" so that services can continue during air-raid warnings. A squad of 20 air-raid wardens, recruited from the clergy and staff, man observation posts on the tall tower and on the roofs. Photo shows Fathers M. J. Moriarty and J. A. Coughlan as "roof spotters" showing the Cathedral in the background. (Copyright, Fox).

FIVE HUNDRED LEAVING SHANGHAI IN "WASHINGTON"

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE LARGEST American evacuee contingent to sail from Shanghai is leaving on November 21 on board the liner Washington, the last special evacuee liner to call at Shanghai.

It is expected that over 500 women and children will sail, bringing the total number of American women and children to nearly 1,000.

WAR BILL RISING IN AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIA'S WAR EXPENDITURE HAD RISEN FROM £6,900,000 IN JULY TO £11,000,000 IN OCTOBER, DECLARED MR. A. W. FADDEN, THE AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL TREASURER, IN A BROADCAST FROM CANBERRA LAST NIGHT.

He said that in order to raise funds for the war, the Commonwealth Government would use credit expansion within strict limits, increase taxation and launch the biggest loan in the history of the country.—Reuter.

AMERICANS IN NO GREAT HURRY

The first batch of American evacuees, consisting of the wives of the local manager and installation manager of Standard Oil, left Canton on Tuesday.

Other American citizens do not appear to be hurrying over the evacuation and most of them hope to be able to carry on.—Reuter.

Other Americans are leaving Shanghai in small numbers on board Japanese ships.

Finally, the American Navy transport Chaumont is arriving here to-day and leaving on Saturday, taking several naval families home.

Despite the State Department's advice, American missionaries in China (who began their activities out in the East over 100 years ago) are not leaving the country in large numbers, American missionary circles in Shanghai state.

Only about 150 American missionaries will have left by November 21 out of 2,300 families scattered from Indo-China to the Great Wall.

So far, not a single missionary has left unoccupied China.

The only ones who have left up to the present are those stationed in Japanese-occupied territory.

Most American missionaries, however, are concentrated in the coastal areas, which are under Japanese control. A total of 8,000 missionaries are stationed throughout China, the Americans forming the largest group with about 2,800.—Havas.

BURGLARY IN NATHAN ROAD

Mr. K. Weiss, of No. 94, Nathan Road, has reported that between midnight and 8.30 a.m. yesterday, some person entered his premises and stole clothing to the value of \$504.10.

SOVIET MAY PATCH UP DISPUTES WITH JAPAN

Probable Result Of Berlin Talks

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

AMID A WELTER OF SPECULATION AND PROPAGANDA, THE GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE HAS ITSELF BETRAYED ITS PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE IN INVITING M. MOLOTOV, THE SOVIET COMMISSAR FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, TO BERLIN.

The Wilhelmstrasse statement refers to the primary need of fixing a basis for Soviet collaboration, not merely with the Axis but with Japan.

In other words, having secured Japan's participation in the tri-partite agreement designed to counter any move by the United States, Germany is now trying to associate the Soviet with the pact.

It is unlikely, however, that the Soviets will fall in with Hitler's plans so far as to commit herself to any specific course as the war develops.

That the talks may result in improved relations between the Soviets and Japan is by no means improbable.

Neither country wishes to be drawn into the war and there are abundant questions on which their interests run parallel.

Although it is not easy to see any common ground regarding the situation in China, some form of compromise on that subject is easier to envisage than any commitments by the Soviet in Europe, other than economic.

Polish Frontier

It may be recalled that Germany tried to trace the new Polish frontier further westward so as to give Russia a bigger slice of Poland, but Moscow was satisfied with the territories in which the inhabitants were mostly Russian.

Therefore, it seems unlikely that Stalin would now be tempted to a policy of adventure.

As for economic talks, it is only necessary to recall the exaggerated hopes Germany built upon last year's agreement with the Soviet to realise the gulf between promise and performance in the supply of Russian materials.

It is probable, however, that Mr. Molotov will agree to the admission of German experts to help overcome the delays inherent in the Russian economic system.

The smashing British victory over the Italian fleet at Taranto will doubtless weigh heavily in the scales of the Axis deliberations.—Reuter.

GANDHI TO EXTEND CAMPAIGN

A MOVE TO EXTEND THE MAHATMA CAMPAIGN CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE CAMPAIGN IS INDICATED BY A REPORT IN BOMBAY THAT HE HAS INFORMED THE VICEROY THAT HE HAS DRAWN UP A LIST OF 1,500 MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS PARTY WHO WILL INVITE IMPRISONMENT BY INDULGING IN ANTI-WAR ACTIVITIES.

The list includes, according to the report, all well-known Congressmen, including former ministers in provinces and members of the Central Legislature.—Reuter.

SHAMEEN FOOD SITUATION EASED

Shameen's food situation was slightly improved when protracted negotiations recently concluded resulted in the arrival of a small consignment of foodstuffs, mainly butter.—Reuter.

GALLABAT OPERATION

Details to hand of the operations round Gallabat, on the border of the Sudan, show that the British took the place from the Italians, abandoned it and have now again occupied it.

Gallabat is a village with a little police fort and is not important in itself from the strategic point of view except as a useful jumping-off ground for raids either on the Sudan or Abyssinia, and a spot where several caravan routes converge.

Italian occupation last summer made it a military objective, for they held it with one battalion with two supporting battalions at Metembi Metma, one or two miles away, across the Abyssinian frontier.

On November 6, British forces, consisting mainly of Indian troops with a number of British, attacked and captured Gallabat. The Italians were taken by surprise and the capture only took 1-1/4 hours, although the Italians issued a highly-coloured official report that the British were at first repulsed after suffering substantial losses and then the Italian garrison was forced to fall back by superior numbers.

A counter-attack supported by native battalions was successfully repelled by the British, with a loss of 27 killed.—British Wire-less.

VICHY HITS AT BIG BUSINESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A VICHY GOVERNMENT DECREE PROVIDES FOR THE "SUSPENSION OF SESSIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL INTERESTS IN INDO-CHINA, EXCEPT MUNICIPAL COUNCILS."

The decree is taken in accordance with recent legislation already applied to metropolitan territory and Algeria, aimed at curbing the political influence of business interests.

The same decree provides that local electoral assemblies in Indo-China be replaced by consultative bodies which will advise the Governor-General and local officials.—Havas.

TOKYO'S NEW SOUTH SEA BUREAU

IN ORDER SPECIALLY TO DEAL WITH AFFAIRS BETWEEN AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, INDO-CHINA, MALAYA, THE PHILIPPINES, NETHERLANDS, EAST INDIES, THE JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE ANNOUNCED IN TOKYO YESTERDAY THE CREATION OF A BUREAU OF SOUTH SEAS AFFAIRS.

Part of the reason for this step is stated to be the creation of a new situation by the conclusion of the amity treaty between Japan and Thailand (Siam) as well as the despatch of the Japanese Mission to the Netherlands East Indies.—Reuter.

BUOYANT STOCK MARKET

Industrials attracted the main attention on the London stock exchange yesterday and good business was done at higher levels.

Kaffirs on the whole made a good showing, rubber shares were in favour and home-rails advanced on good enquiry.

Most foreigners were firm, especially Brazilian issues, while Wall Street was irregular.—Reuter.

CREMATION OF MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S REMAINS

The remains of the late Mr. Neville Chamberlain were privately cremated in London yesterday. There was no service or ceremony and only two members of his household were present. Arrangements for the funeral service have not yet been announced.

LUXEMBURG GOVERNMENT IN CANADA

A provisional Government for the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg has been set up at Montreal with the permission of the Canadian Government.

This was announced yesterday by the President, Pierre Dupong, who added that the members of the Cabinet will confer at Montreal with the Grand Duchess Charlotte.—Reuter.

FRENCH GIRL "CONSCRIPTS"

FRENCH PRIESTS AND MAYORS HAVE BEEN PLEADING IN VAIN WITH THE GERMAN AUTHORITIES TO RETURN TO THEIR MOTHERS THOUSANDS OF FRENCH GIRLS WHO HAVE BEEN SENT TO GERMAN "LABOUR CAMPS," SAYS THE "SUNDAY CHRONICLE."

When the German troops marched in, girls were rounded up and told that they would be conscripted for service. They were then sent to towns which the Germans had already occupied, or to other towns inside Germany.

To lessen the scandal which arose in the occupied areas, the parents were told that the girls would be well paid, and that they would be allowed to send part of their earnings home.

On arrival at their destinations, the girls joined thousands of girls from Poland and other occupied countries.

The majority are shop girls, factory girls and peasant girls.

News has leaked through to parents that some of them have already committed suicide rather than obey their German masters. In other cases the parents have been curtly informed that the girls have died.

DeGaulle Annoys Vichy!

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Vichy circles are extremely annoyed at the "odious aggression" of De Gaulle and his Lieutenant Larmat against a small group of Frenchmen isolated on the Equator.

A semi-official Vichy comment says that following his failure at Dakar, General De Gaulle resumed his activities in Equatorial Africa and himself assumed the responsibility for the operations against Libreville, "specifying that he acted without the support of British forces."

The Vichy comment stressed the British announcement that Britain did not take part in these tragic events, "thereby once again placing De Gaulle and Larmat in the face of their terrible responsibilities."

The note concludes: — "De Gaulle was already a traitor at Dakar."

"Posterity will bring judgment against him for having massacred a handful of Frenchmen who remained faithful to their flag and honour." (De Gaulle has denied any loss of life.)

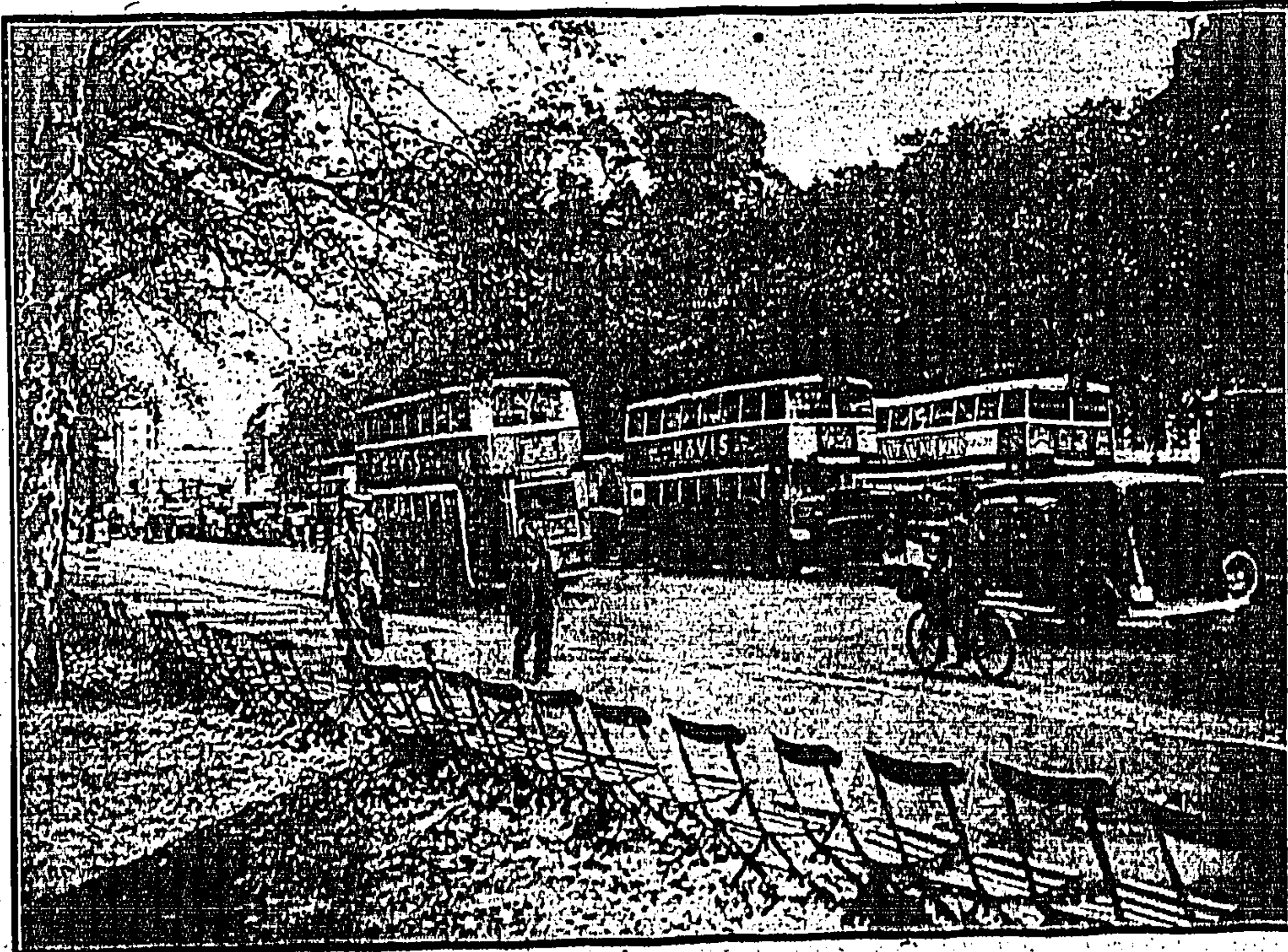
Vichy government circles deny the assertion by Leopoldville's radio station that Gabon's population enthusiastically welcomed General De Gaulle's forces. According to Vichy, "only a few days ago Gabon's population expressed its loyalty to the French Government and sent an important contribution to the National Relief Fund created by Marshal Petain." — Havas.

KONGMOON NORMAL

A recent arrival from Kongmoon states that conditions there continue to be fairly normal.

Tow-boats which recently suspended sailings for several days, are now taking passengers to Canton.

Chinese guerrillas were active last week and firing was heard across the river.—Reuter.



BUSES IN THE PARK — Owing to a traffic diversion in Park Lane, passengers on London buses have had the pleasure of a trip through Hyde Park on their way to business. (Copy-right, Fox).

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By BUD FISHER

ST. MARTIN'S
WRECKED

THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS WAS AMONG THE PLACES DAMAGED IN A RECENT LONDON AIR RAID. IT WAS REVEALED YESTERDAY OFFICIALLY.

All the windows and one side of the building were blown in. Most of the 600 people in the crypt escaped.

South Africa. House was also damaged by the same bomb. — Reuter.

AIR WAR
IN LIBYA

Long range bombing R.A.F. aircraft carried out a raid on Port Evclona on Monday says a Cairo R.A.F. communique.

"Bombs fell in the dock area and scored a direct hit on a large building.

In the Western Desert, the biggest raids were made on Benghazi, Berka and Tobruk.

Two enemy bombers on the ground at Berka were destroyed. Other aircraft and an aircraft building were severely damaged at Tobruk.

From all operations carried out during the period under review all our aircraft returned safely. — British Wireless.

"SO FAR ALL
IS WELL"

A letter full of spirit and courage has been received here from an old lady of eighty, now living in England. Despite three or four air raid alarms daily over her town she carries on as usual, taking them as a matter of course, and saying "so far all is well." She is living in Bromley, a suburb of London, 16 miles outside the city proper, and on the main road to the coast, that many raiders pass overhead towards the metropolis.

The letter follows:—

'Planes Over Every Day

"No doubt you wonder how we are all getting on here! Very calmly and quietly and so far all is well. But we have 'planes over us every day—and sometimes three or four times a day! Three nights last week they came 9 p.m. and stayed till 4 a.m., one night an hour less. Whenever the siren goes we are ordered to "take cover," several go to the shelters, some stay at their own risk in their houses. I go to Mrs. No. 36. Her House is quite safe—downstairs and in the bathroom. A son-in-law understands all about buildings.

If a raid gets bad and we feel the 'planes are nearer than we like,—we go into the bathroom and others remain in the kitchen, which is very comfortable, with an Ideal stove. Mrs. occupies a camp-bed and I have a long chair

with rugs. Yesterday morning I was in my bath when the siren went—but managed to dress somehow. We had three or four in the daytime yesterday, besides the one at 9 p.m. This morning we had just begun service when it started; so we had to disperse. It lasted only a short time, and we were able to return to have the service—no sermon. Just after dinner came another—so we go on.

Caught In Cinema

"The weather is glorious, and the stars at 4.20 a.m., when we came to our beds, were beautiful and made me say "The heavens declare the glory of God."

"The people in the Odeon Cinema on Wednesday night were caught by the siren, and had to stay till 4 a.m. There are many shelters in the town, so it is not difficult to get under cover, but I would not like to be caught."

BILL
BLASTER
TAKES
THE AIR

"Lord" Haw-Haw, Germany's ex-public entertainer No. 1, has lost his No. 1 imposition to a new "star"—Bill Blaster, the Crimson Cockney, writes the "Sunday Dispatch."

Bill's is a twice-nightly turn. He speaks from the "Workers' Challenge Station"—one of four new German efforts at propaganda in English. And he swears.

Haw-Haw has lost his public because he couldn't keep up his original suave and amusing sarcasm. Nowadays he often drops into tiresome, nervous hysteria. Bill hopes to recapture your attention—by Rabelaisian abuse of the British leaders.

"Mr. b—Morrison has been opening his maw," says the Crimson Cockney. "He has been miking a grite offensive. The only b— offensive he mikes is against the workin' class."

Factories are going up in smoke. Docks are being 'be—d up.' And our leaders are "fat b— reptiles," "fat lousy—" and "dirty skunks"—to say nothing of "rotten scoundrels."

R.A.F. 'planes are so rotten that pilots are afraid to go up in the air!

"Why shouldn't we be bosses for a chinge?" he cries.

He wants the "a-Boll-ishon" of many things, including leaders who "ratted from the working classes."

He is disgusted by the general "incompETTence."

To poor Mr. Morrison he says, "You are a hell of a b— reformer, you are! You have let the ca' outer the bag." But the "Nassas" are just another kind of capitalist class.

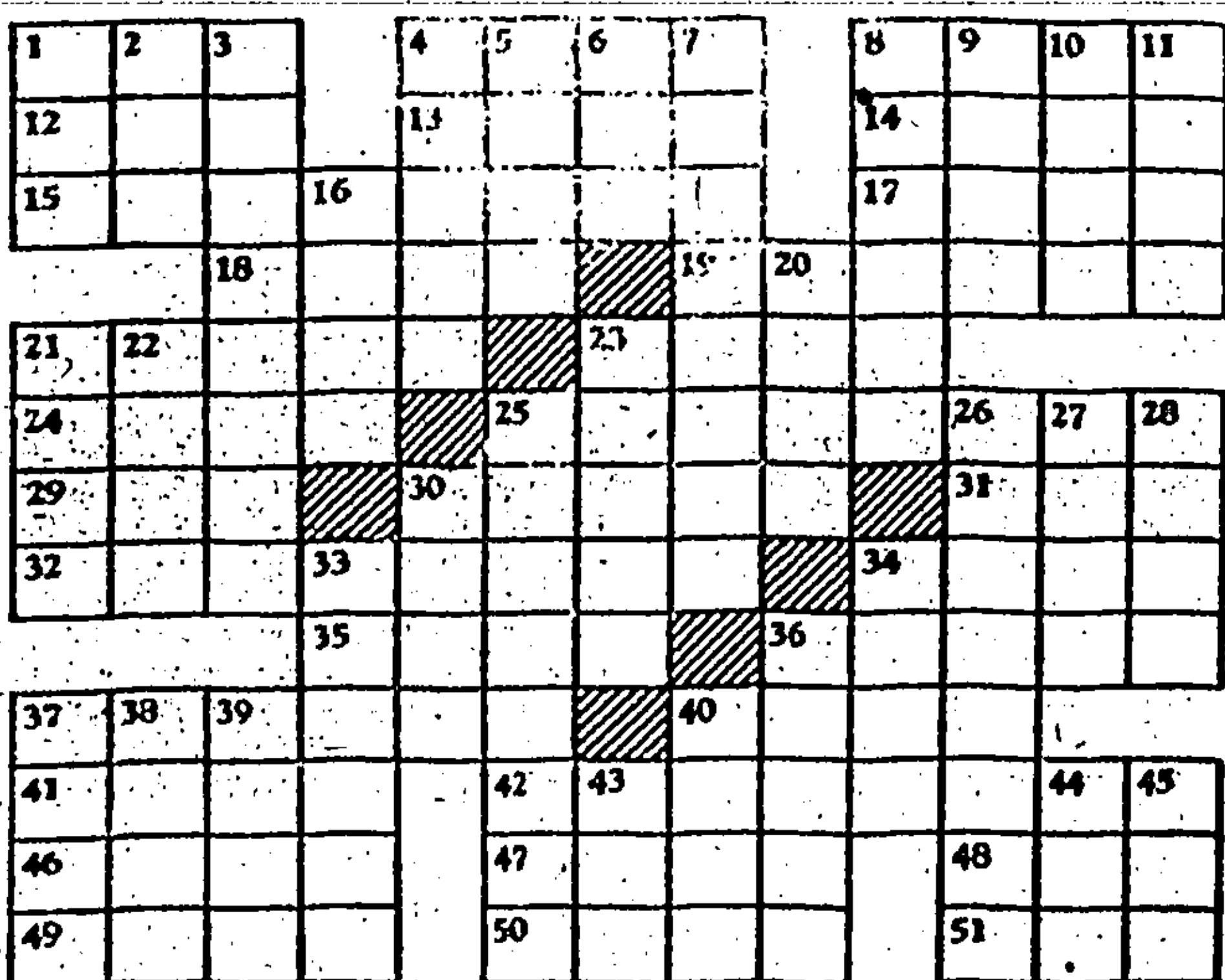
"It is only necessary for a few million workers to go on the streets."

"The bloated fools in Downing Street can't stop us."

"So, art on the streets while there still is time." Oh, I almost forgot. When you demonstrate in Downing Street don't mind the "coppers." The British "crard" won't stand for them using their sticks. The bosses will run like rats.

Anyway, why should a few "b—" old men dictate to you because they have a bank balance? Sez Bill Blaster, the Crimson Cockney.

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



HORIZONTAL

- 1 Tooth
- 4 Dill
- 8 Infant
- 12 Part of "to be"
- 13 Wasteland
- 14 Ardour
- 15 Answer
- 17 Card game
- 18 Story
- 19 Fruits of the oak tree
- 21 To trim
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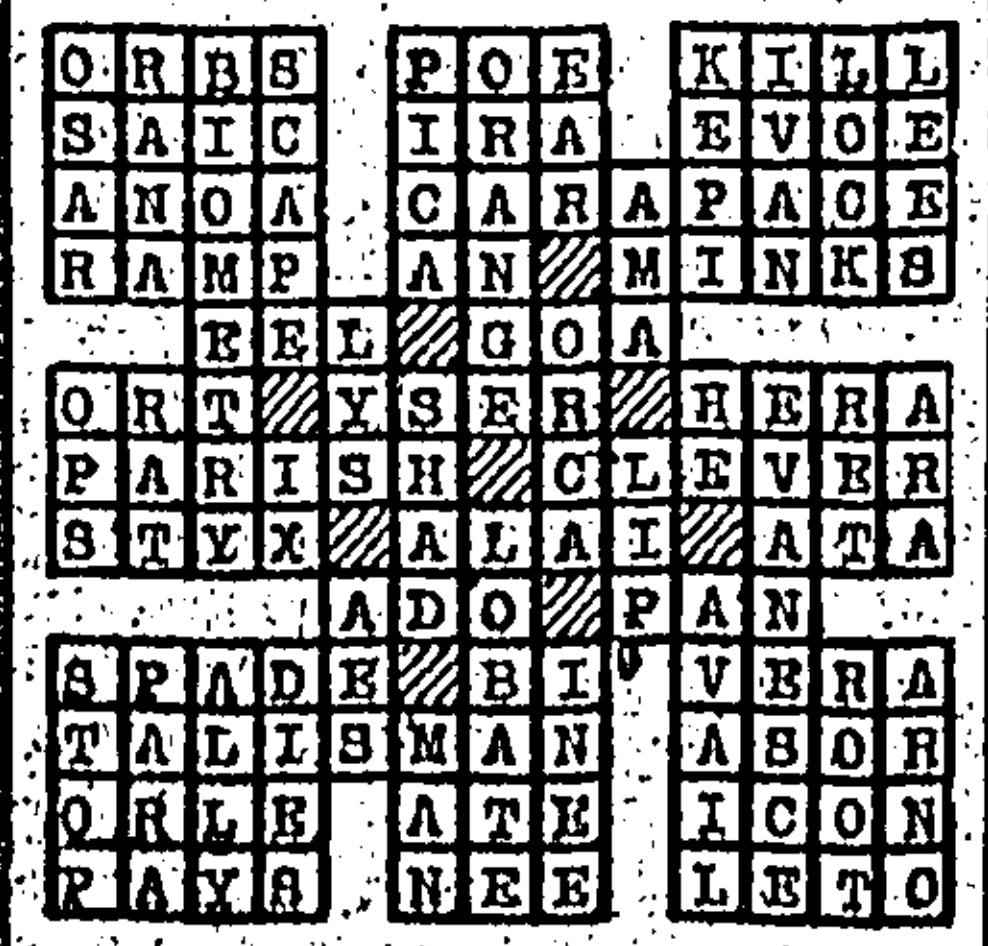
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- 11 Man's name
- 12 Piece of glass
- 20 Scoundrels
- 21 To poke
- 22 Hindu princess
- 23 Treatise
- 25 Contrite
- 26 Proximity
- 27 Walking stick
- 28 Epochs
- 30 Soft rock
- 33 Poisonous African fly
- 34 Kind of horse
- 36 Newly-married woman
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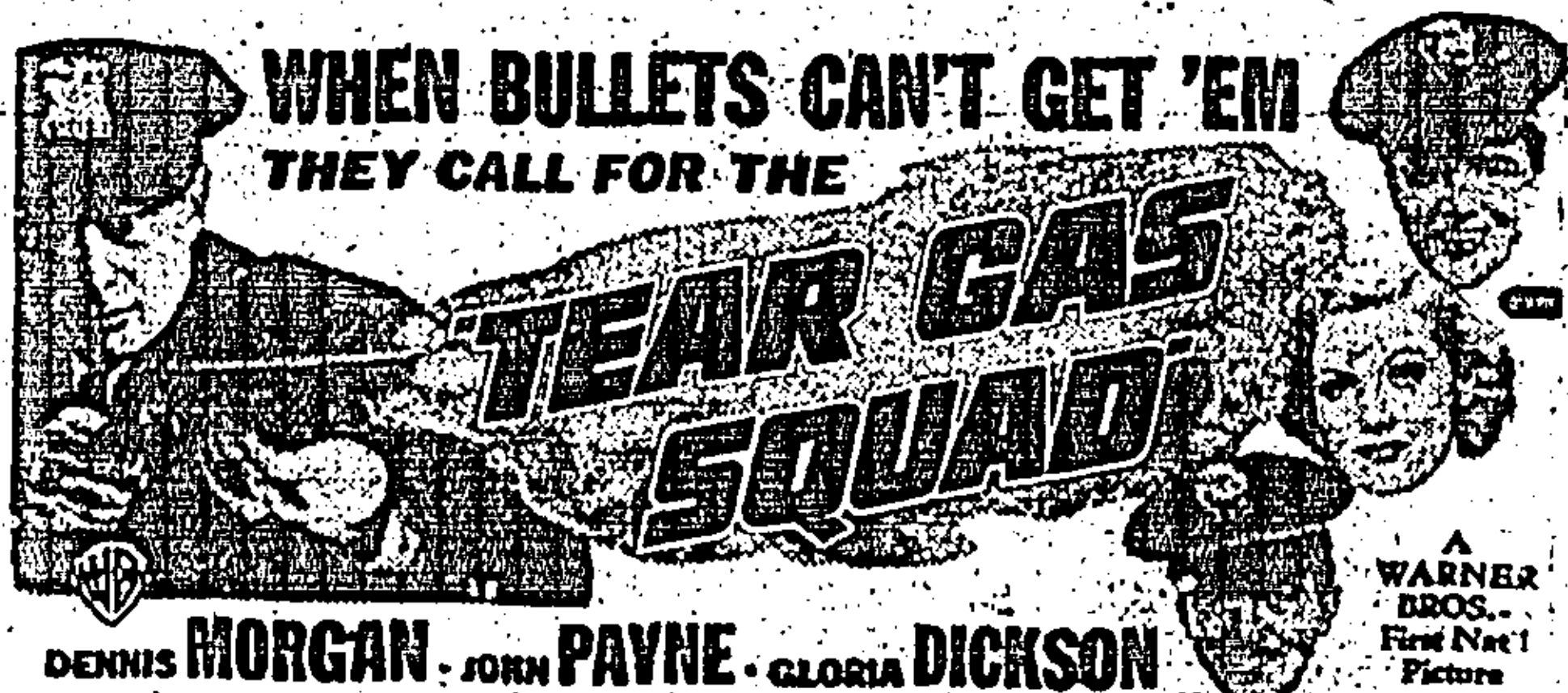
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MR. AMERY ON MUSSOLINI'S ILLUSION

"WE ARE FIGHTING against secession, as Nazidom is, in effect, a war of secession from European civilisation," said Mr. L. M. Amery, Secretary of State for India, at a luncheon in London yesterday.

Mr. Amery was addressing a meeting of the National Defence of Public Interests Committee, over which Lord Nathan presided.

AIR FORCE ATTACK ON BOLOGNA

An attack by Royal Air Force planes upon Bologna in Italy is announced in Berlin by the Bologna correspondent of D.N.B. —Reuter.

COMMONS WANT BOMBING OF ROME

DON'T BE SQUEAMISH

As the Italians are now participating in the bombing of London, Captain Balfour, Under-Secretary for Air, was pressed in the Commons yesterday on the question of bombing Rome.

Captain Balfour referred to his previous statement in which he declared that Government had taken note of the Italian admission that their aircraft had participated in the London bombings and must, therefore, reserve full liberty of action in regard to Rome.

Since that time, Captain Balfour added, the Italian Government must have become aware that endeavours to approach British coasts were likely to cause very heavy casualties to their air force.

Captain Balfour was asked not to be squeamish, to which he replied that it would be thoroughly wrong for Government to give away to the enemy their strategic plans in regard to any objective. —Reuter.

MOSQUE FOR LONDON

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IS TO ASK PARLIAMENT FOR £100,000 FOR A SITE ON WHICH TO ESTABLISH A MOSQUE AND AN ISLAMIC CULTURAL CENTRE IN LONDON.

The committee making the plans was received by the King in Buckingham Palace yesterday. It includes the Egyptian Ambassador, the Saudi-Arabian Minister, the High Commissioner for India and Lieut.-Col. Sir H. Sirrawadi.

The committeemen were presented to the King by Lord Lloyd and thanked His Majesty for the gift from the British Government. —Reuter.

Said Mr. Amery: "The culture and ideals given by Greece, Rome, Christianity and the Middle Ages are all directly challenged by the new barbarian."

"It is because the issues go so deep, because this is total war, not in methods only, but between totally irreconcilable principles, which are contending for victory, that no compromise is possible."

Referring to the failure of the German air attacks on Britain, Mr. Amery said we hardly realised from day to day that Young Britain in the shape of its air-men had won one of the world's historic battles—a battle which he thought would figure in this war as the Battle of the Marne figured in the last—as the turning of the tide.

Il Duce's Illusion

Mr. Amery described Mussolini as the victim of the illusion that he was destined to restore the greatness of ancient Rome, "but he forgets that Rome grew not by calculated aggression, but largely by sheer force of character and circumstances."

"He has also forgotten that even before ancient Rome there was ancient Greece and that spirit still lives in Greece to-day."

Mr. Amery was loudly cheered when he referred to the brilliant success of the Fleet Air Arm against the Italian Fleet at Taranto.

"It will be something for the Italians to go on with," said Mr. Amery, adding: "Wars are won by daring." —Reuter.

Blow Aimed At Heart

The Secretary for India described German policy over the past years as a "military design aimed as a blow at our heart."

Poland, Mr. Amery continued, was destroyed to clear Hitler's rear and the conquest of the Low Countries and France were successive steps to bring Britain within range of aircraft so that an overwhelming blow might be delivered at British production after destroying the R.A.F.

"The courage of a few thousand well-trained young men and the spirit of a great nation wrecked that plan," Mr. Amery said.

Although invasion might be tried, Mr. Amery continued, it now had a very much slighter chance of success.

"Second Design"

The first design against Britain having failed, what Mr. Amery described as "the second great design" is now being staged.

For success, Mr. Amery continued, much depended on who could be cajoled, bribed, or bullied into taking part with the Axis powers.

Extending from Gibraltar to Singapore, from Morocco to Indo-China, the main plan constituted a terrible menace which must not be underestimated.

First Move

Although the first move—Nazification of Rumania—succeeded, the Italian effort against Greece "was becoming somewhat agitated."

Mussolini, while posing as a Roman warrior restoring glories of ancient Rome, forgot that the Roman Empire had grown by character and that her distinguishing feature was law, not lawlessness.

"He also forgot," said Mr. Amery, "that before the ancient Roman Empire there was an ancient Greece, the spirit of which still lives." —British Wireless.



The back view is most deceptive — the front view reveals that it is merely a young Londoner in the country who thinks this is the best way of transporting a gramophone horn from one place to another. (Copyright, Fox).

OIL FOR THE PLANES OF NIPPON

THE NETHERLANDS OIL COMPANY WILL HENCEFORTH BE SUPPLYING JAPAN WITH OVER 1,800,000 TONS OF OIL AND OIL PRODUCTS ANNUALLY IT WAS LEARNED IN BATAVIA YESTERDAY.

The recently initiated agreement provides that Japanese importers will be able to purchase crude oil at the rate of 760,000 tons annually and oil products of 540,000 tons.

This will be in addition to about 494,000 tons of various oil products regularly shipped by oil companies in Batavia. —Reuter.

CUSTOMS HEAD IN SHANGHAI

MR. L. H. LAWFORD, COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS IN SHANGHAI, WHOSE TERM OF OFFICE IS DUE TO EXPIRE SOME TIME THIS MONTH, HAS BEEN RE-APPOINTED BY SIR FREDERICK MAZE, INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF THE CHINESE MARITIME CUSTOMS, FOR ANOTHER TERM. REPORTS THE "SHUN PAO."

The local Japanese Press recently gave prominence to reports that Mr. Lawford's term of office was due to expire, hinting that a Japanese appointee would secure the post.

Re-appointment of Mr. Lawford is justified by the precedent set by the re-appointment of the Commissioner of Customs in Tientsin. —Reuter.

R.A.F. RAIDS

Oil plants at Gelsenkirchen and Cologne, as well as the submarine base at Lorient are mentioned in an Air Ministry communique as being heavily attacked by the R.A.F. last night.

These operations were in addition to raids on railway centres and factories in the Ruhr, docks at Flushing and Dunkirk and on several enemy aerodromes. One British aircraft is missing. —British Wireless.



ALLY OF VIOLENCE

It is not the new allies the Axis may advertise, but the old ones Reichsfuehrer Hitler does not now talk so much about, that are still the most important allies of violence, the most formidable enemies of order and freedom.

A reminder of this is afforded by a letter written by a French officer to an American, and printed in the "New York Times." A very few words in this letter explain the strange behaviour of the French Government in the days just before its armistice with the Third Reich, and indeed, ever since. Why was the French Navy not kept beyond the reach of the Nazis? Why was the naval battle of Oran necessary between erstwhile friends? Why has France shown a willingness to capitulate to the enemies of freedom in Berlin and in Tokyo, and yet mustered a bitter capacity for resistance to the just claims of the defender of its own freedom, Great Britain?

Because some Frenchmen were more ready to take whatever comfort the Nazis would allow them, even at the price of liberty and self-respect, than to continue to stand with whatever remaining power they had against a predatory and tyrannical foe. This is the answer to be found in the French officer's letter.

To quote directly from the published version:

The two thoughts that might have made it possible to resign ourselves to the catastrophe, the good will of the Germans and their rapid victory over the English, both seem to be without foundation.

The italics explain so much. This is a letter recording French disappointment with the way things have gone since the German occupation of France. It speaks of current "systematic pillage" and the reviving hope of most of the now disillusioned French people that they will "be liberated."

The French are not alone in having harboured moral enemies within. Individuals everywhere have to face the temptation to escape the trial that confronts free men

In these terrible days the Briton in the United States cannot be far from the new editions that the evening press pours out and the wireless news that comes nearly every hour and can be heard in most private cars and taxi-cabs and offices.

"London Bombed," "Milton's Church Destroyed" scream the headlines, but the biggest type was reserved for "Berlin Bombed." There is no neutrality in the faces as they read the war news, and when you turn to the punctilious correctness of the leaders in most of the papers expressing surprise, even indignation, because the British announcements and German announcements of air victories and losses do not square it seems very odd indeed. The German communiqués usually come out before the British, so the day usually begins badly here with the German stories and claims, holding the front page, but as the day goes on and the British reports arrive with the British achievements and corrections of the German stories the last edition is usually the most heartening. So far I have not seen any buttons with "Up England" on them, but

there will probably soon be some expression of the swelling popular sentiment for our fight.

The British visitor now finds fewer commiserating glances from new acquaintances. The average American after the fall of France

By
JAMES BONE

did not think we had a dog's—certainly not a bulldog's—chance. In the delectable city of Baltimore people are very polite and take some questioning before they will talk, but from shopmen and clerks and mechanics I have had the same answer: that we were in pretty bad case, but it is different

now. "We thought you'd go like the Dutch and the Frenchies," they say, "but we got it wrong, and so did Hitler. Maybe you'll beat him." It is only here and there you hear someone say that "it's time we helped you," but when that is said it is said with characteristic American emphasis. It was a tremendous relief to those of the Republican party who were all for aid to England when, in spite of the bosses and party heads, Willkie was so surprisingly selected as the Republican candidate for President, as he took the same stand as Roosevelt on that issue.

But they had to face the apparition behind Willkie of McNary, the Republican candidate for the Vice-Presidency, who succeeded in leaving people in doubt whether he supported Willkie or not on this issue, and other leaders, Dewey, Taft and Vandenberg, still

unsevered from their isolationist past. Again, Senator Hiram Johnson, who is senior Republican and so, if Willkie won might have been head of the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs, and Hamilton Fish, who on party precedents would have become head of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, are arch-isolationists. To queries how Willkie could possibly carry out the "aid for Britain" policy of his acceptance speech when there were few signs of the Republican party's coming into line with him, his friends replied rather cynically that these leaders are swinging in the popular current and responding to events and would accept Willkie's full programme.

Any picture of the United States would not be complete that did not include some instances of discouragement.

At a luncheon in Detroit, where I found many warm friends of Britain, some of them working incessantly for active intervention, I was placed next to one of its leading journalists. I was anxious at the time to clear up the constitutional position about the over-age destroyers and asked help on the point. Very deliberately came a reply to the effect that never since the Atlantic Ocean met the Pacific Ocean had there been a man like That Man at the White House. Anything more despicable, more dishonest, more disruptive of all that was best, &c. It was like a page from Dickens's caricature of a remote America. Twice again I sought to get from my professional colleagues the destroyer question straightened out, but each time it was the same—what was the good of discussing any international question or to expect anything right to be done so long as the government of the United States was in the hands of the most unparalleled lot of crooks and bunglers who ever disgraced, &c., &c. It is a not negligible part of the well-to-do Middle West and the East which thinks like that, although most would not express it so naively. Everything That Man does, they say, is tainted; there is a double motive behind what seem his most sensible acts. Many senators have said openly that the President's approval of the course charted for the refugee ship American Legion—it turned out that the American naval experts had approved the course—was deliberately done by the President so that the ship should be sunk and the refugees killed and that, as a result, the United States would enter the war!

It must be realised that there is nothing in British politics in modern times that helps us to understand the bitterness and suspicion among the majority of business Americans against President Roosevelt. But some of these critics, unlike my Detroit friend, put the fight against Hitler and the protection of democracy first. An anti-New Dealer in Cleveland, for instance, wrote to me before the Republican Convention to say that if his party put up a candidate with the slightest suspicion of isolationism he and thousands of Republicans would "hold their noses and vote for Roosevelt."

Another body of opinion that is equally unsatisfactory to us is a quickly decreasing group which thinks that aid to Britain may be throwing away good weapons, for we may not be able to hold out long. This argument has been used about the destroyers. "Show us you can hold Hitler," they say. It is being admitted by some of them now that Britain is holding him, but the slogan suggested for this group is "It's too early to help Britain till it's too late to help Britain." It is still too soon to say whether the swing of public opinion which one seems to discern everywhere towards the United States taking some little risk in her aid to Britain has yet reached a sticking-point.

Desert As A Factor In Strategy

By
Walter Fitzgerald

As the campaign in the inhospitable region of North East Africa develops the environmental advantages are, for the time being at least, on the side of the defending forces. Egypt and Ethiopia, strongholds of British and Italian power respectively, are each enclosed and largely isolated from the continental interior by great stretches of desert or poor scrubland where an invading army would find it impossible to live on the country. So far each of these strongholds has proved to be easily defensible, if we except sporadic air-raiding on both sides.

In this war, as in those of the past which have involved the Mediterranean Basin, the Lower Nile Valley offers the richest territorial prize. A victorious Power would not merely gain control of the only land in North East Africa capable—because of adequate water supplies—of intense cultivation throughout the entire year, but would also dominate the canal-and-sea route to the Indian Ocean, thereby strangling the British sea-way to the Far East.

Italy's Weak Points

Fortunately the enemy's position is weakened by the wide separation from each other of the two groups of Italian colonies, and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan interposes a wedge nearly 900 miles wide between the Libyan and Ethiopian frontiers. Moreover, the recent extension of

to-day. The French officer's letter discloses the moral bankruptcy to which this temptation can bring one—not only to the surrender of one's own rights but to a willingness, no, an eagerness, to see other defenders of those rights quickly defeated. The Axis may boast a new ally, but the boast holds no such dangers as those voiced by a friend of free men in France who has seen another sort of ally take over his own country for aggressors.

Italian rule over Ethiopia has not much affected the strategic situation because of the enemy's complete dependence on the home country for reinforcements of men and all war material. No part of Italian Africa produces, even in time of peace, sufficient food and other commodities for the resident European population; virtually everything must be brought across the Mediterranean, and particularly is this true of petrol, coal, and manufactured goods of all types. The Italian Empire was until 1936 an empire of desert only, and the annexation of Ethiopia has been too recent to permit of any important agricultural or industrial development.

Italy finds that her air fleet cannot solve her geographical problem. Transport planes are of little use for the carriage of heavy military equipment in view of the enormous distances involved. From the main Italian bases on the coast of Libya to Addis Ababa, capital of Italian East Africa, nearly 2,000 miles have to be traversed. Add to this the difficulties of transporting supplies from Italy to Libya in the teeth of a relentless naval blockade by Britain, and the reinforcement of armies in Italian East Africa is seen to be a virtual impossibility. Ethiopia is besieged, and its Italian garrison will be starved out unless Mussolini is able to conquer Egypt.

Meanwhile the attack on the Nile Valley hangs fire, and the delay is attributable to the difficulties which geography imposes. Given the British Navy's supremacy in the Eastern Mediterranean—which is now assured—the Italian army in Libya, certainly not less than a quarter of a million strong, cannot be regularly supplied from Italy. Its very size is a burden. Being intended mainly for offensive action, it is too large for garrison purposes only, yet as soon as it moves eastwards towards Egypt its problems of supply are multiplied.

Much the greater part of Libya is irreclaimable desert, and its vast size on the map must not deceive us as to its small economic value. Italian military power there is concentrated within the narrow Mediterranean fringe where a small winter rainfall is

received. Also within this fringe are found the farming colonists from Southern Italy, who, to the number of about 50,000, have been planted, at tremendous expense, in the last few years.

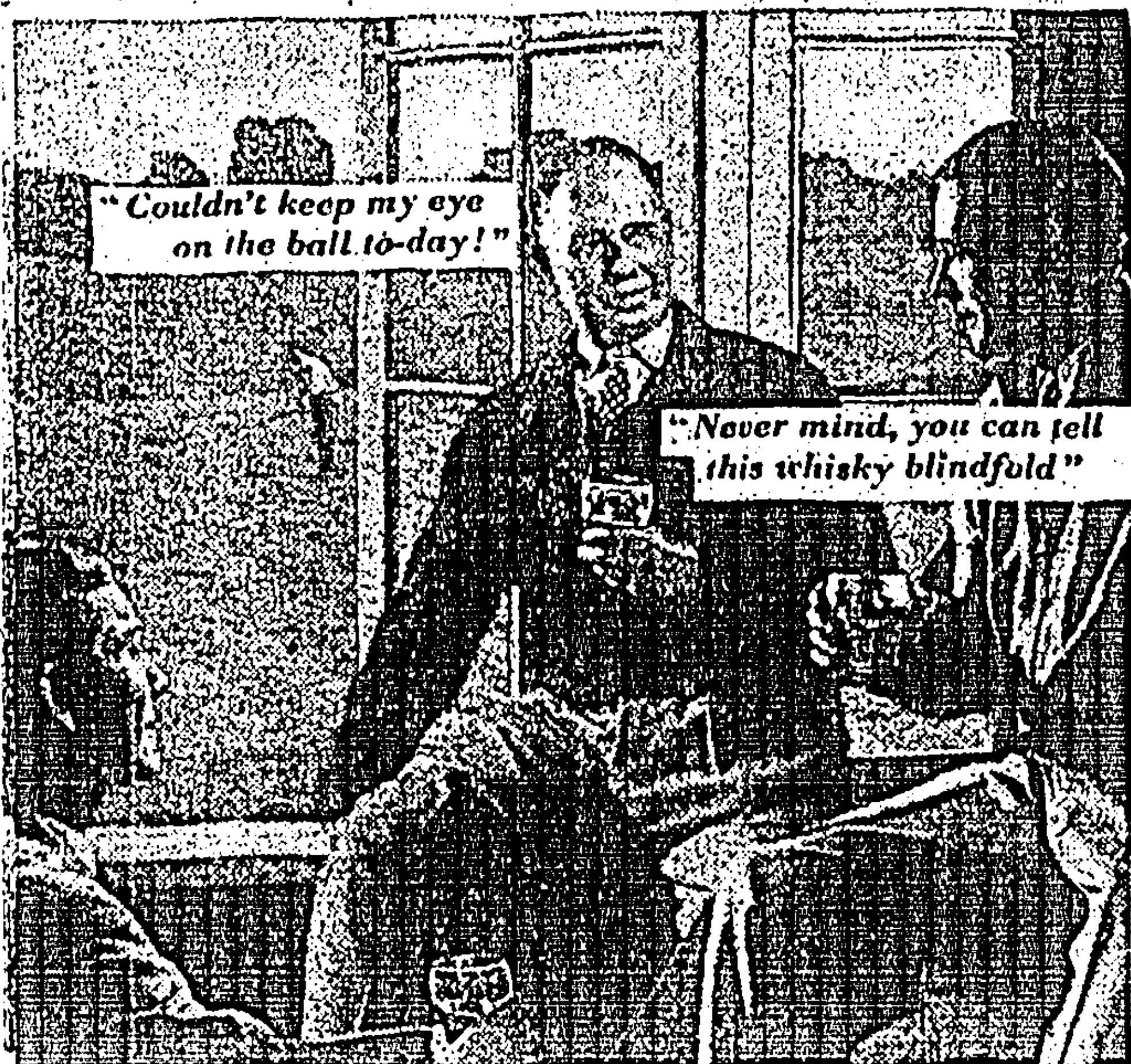
Routes Across The Libyan Desert

The narrow but comparatively fertile northern margin of Libya provides the obvious route, with the most abundant supplies of water, for an army moving on Egypt, but its maritime position would give the British fleet full opportunity of hammering its lines of communication. Consequently the enemy's strategy does not rule out one or two alternative routes farther south, in the desert proper and outside the range of naval guns.

All routes to the Nile are dependent upon the oases which occur but rarely throughout the sandy and waterless Libyan Desert. Between the oases stretch vast areas of sand-dune a terrain which provides the hardest possible going for an army, and, because the going would be slow, water would have to be carried. In the cases of the two main routes the distances between the oases are excessive for a large, heavily equipped army. The northern and most feasible way would be from Jaghbub to Siwa, just inside the desert frontier of Egypt, and then on by various possible tracks to reach the Nile downstream from Assiut. The distance from the Libyan frontier to the Nile by this route is approximately 500 miles.

Another route, at the outset more difficult because less accessible than the first from the maritime bases of Libya, is provided with fewer oases, so that the waterless stretches are longer. If it were used by an Italian army, as seems rather unlikely, the great Kufara group of oases, formerly the headquarters of the powerful Senussi confederation and 500 miles from the Libyan coast, would provide the starting-point. From there the nearest Egyptian oasis within Egypt is Dakhla, over 400 miles away, and this distance would be virtually impossible except for a lightly-armed raiding force.

Our argument has considered only the physical difficulties confronting an Italian offensive adventure. We have not taken into account the strength of the Anglo-Egyptian defending forces. Yet that strength is likely to grow until by its very counter-offensive power the Italian attempt would be doomed, even if the enemy's overseas and trans-desert communications were more secure than they actually are.



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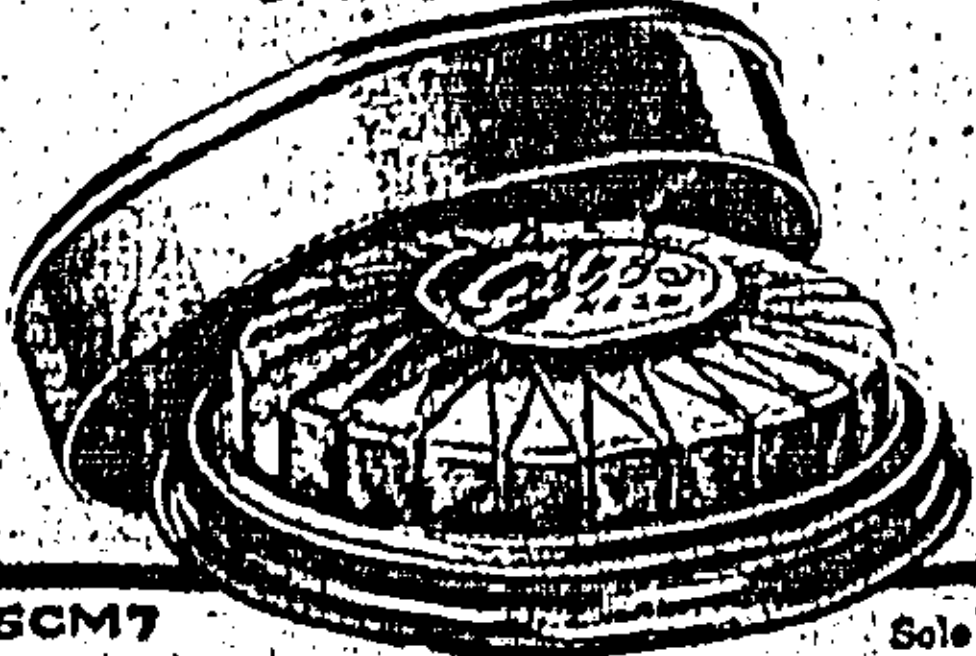
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CHINA ISSUES STRONG WARNING TO FRANCE OVER INDO-CHINA

A STRONG WARNING TO FRANCE — UNDER THE TITLE "ADVICE TO THE FRENCH AUTHORITIES" — IS CONTAINED IN A LEADING ARTICLE IN THE OFFICIAL CHUNGKING NEWSPAPER "CENTRAL DAILY NEWS," IN WHICH MUCH INFORMATION IS REVEALED CONCERNING JAPAN'S LATEST DEMANDS ON THE FRENCH INDO-CHINA AUTHORITIES.

Referring to the French handing over of the Chinese Court in the French Concession, Shanghai, the Chinese official organ declares that French concessions to Japan merely encourage further encroachment on French interests in the Far East by Japan.

The paper adds:—

"When General Nishihara, former Japanese special representative to French Indo-China, arrived in French Indo-China, we warned the French authorities of the danger of permitting the Japanese to enter French Indo-China.

"When the Franco/Japanese agreement was signed at Hanoi on September 22, we plainly warned French Indo-China that Japan aimed at the permanent occupation of the whole of French Indo-China and not merely for the passage of troops."

Japan's Demands

"Japan is now permanently stationing troops in French Indo-China, occupying five air fields, demanding a loan of \$500,000 a month and demanding the right to circulate Japanese military yen notes in French Indo-China.

"Thailand's arrogant attitude towards French Indo-China is entirely the result of Japanese intrigues.

"Once a clash occurred, Japan will occupy the southern part of French Indo-China on the pretext of the preservation of peace and order and will use Southern Indo-China as a base for an attack on Singapore.

"The handing-over of the Chinese Courts in the French Concession in Shanghai took place after the French Indo-China incident, from which the French ought to have benefited by the lesson.

"This is particularly deplored by all the friends of France."

China And France

"The Chinese Government and its people have always treasured the principles of justice and friendship. We never slighted France as a result of the French defeat in the European war, in fact we always expressed our deepest sympathy for France's plight.

"After the signature of the Franco/Japanese agreement we merely blew up railway bridges for self-defence.

"Yet the French repeatedly spread rumours of alleged Chinese violations of French Indo-China's borders.

"To be frank, in the face of such actions by France the Chinese Government should take retaliatory actions.

Limit To Concessions

"Every country has its own difficulties. Under foreign pressure and at the same time to preserve its own existence, it is understandable that certain concessions must be made but there must be a limit to such concessions.

"No responsible statesman will make concessions which will bring about his nation's total destruction.

"Unless France is willing to abandon her interests in the Far East, she must realize that any mistaken move she makes now will result in irreparable damage to her rights and interests in the Far East when the time comes for the foundation of a settlement of Pacific problems."

"We hope France will not make concessions which are harmful to others yet will bring no benefit to herself.

"There is an old Chinese saying, 'It is suicide to quench the thirst with a poisonous drink.'"

—Reuter.

SHAMEEN CHAIRMAN TRANSFERRED

Mr. A. E. Smith, Canton manager of Jardine's for many years and chairman of the Shameen Municipal Council, has been transferred to Tientsin.

Accompanied by his wife, he is expected to leave Canton this week. — Reuter.

HUSBANDS' COMMITTEE HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The first meeting of the Evacuation Representation Committee was held at the Peninsula Hotel last night.

All members were present and the following officers were appointed:—

Chairman, The Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, M. A.

Vice-Chairman, C. E. Terry, Esq.

Hon. Secretary, F. C. Clemo, Esq.

Hon. Treasurer, J. F. Macgregor, Esq.

After outlining procedure, the following decisions were taken:—

(1) Decided to write a letter to Colonial Secretary to obtain recognition of the Committee as representing over 500 Husbands and Relatives of Evacuees.

(2) To draw up a questionnaire which is inserted below.

(3) To ask for subscriptions and donations.

(4) To cooperate with voluntary bodies in Sydney and Melbourne.

(5) To draft a petition to Secretary of State for the Colonies through Constitutional Channels in accordance with the views expressed at the meeting held on 8th November.

(6) To appoint a sub-committee to seek legal advice in the drafting of the petition and report to the General Committee on Friday 15th inst.

(7) Many other questions raised at the General Meeting were discussed and deferred to a subsequent meeting of the Committee for decision to be held to-morrow Friday 15th inst.

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G.P.O. Letter Theft Case: Postmen And Two Others Accused

MA WAI-MAN, 32, Chu Wai-ying, 28, a married woman, Leung Fuk-lam, 38, postman No. 135, and Lam Sik-yu, 37, postman No. 29, were all before Mr. G. T. Lowry this morning, on charges of receiving stolen letters, and theft of letters from the General Post Office.

Ma was charged with receiving 10 letters in Garden Road on Tuesday, knowing they were stolen, and also with possession of postal packets without lawful authority.

Ma and the woman were charged with receiving ten letters on Monday and Tuesday, at No. 13, Chiu Lung Street.

Ma with Postman 135, Leung, was charged with inciting postman No. 198, Mak Cheuk-woon, to commit an offence by stealing letters from the General Post Office on November 4 and 8.

Fourth defendant, Lam, was charged with stealing five letters from the G.P.O. on Monday, and with willingly delivering the five letters to first and second defendants.

Mr. D. McCallum is appearing on behalf of the first and second defendants.

It was stated that the case is for committal.

Hearing was provisionally fixed for November 25.

Detective Sergeant A. F. Cochran is in charge of the case.

NAZI WHO LED RECENT RAIDS

The leader of the German airmen in a number of recent raids on England is a veteran pilot extremely well known at British civilian airports before the war, who has been specially selected for the job owing to his knowledge of London, says the "Daily Telegraph."

When war broke out he was a commercial pilot for the German airline with which Imperial Airways—linked up at Berlin—for Vienna and South-Eastern Europe.

Two R.A.F. fighter squadrons on the South-East Coast have a wager as to which shall be the first to "down" the German. As far as possible, they try to tackle him in turn.

Each squadron-leader has on one occasion almost got him, but both times he got clear by what is described as "a really brilliant piece of flying."

The squadron eventually successful in accounting for him will be entertained at dinner by their rivals.

OBSERVER CORPS' BAG

An Observer Corps watcher on the north-east coast of England can credit himself with one German bomber. His promptness enabled Spitfires to bring the raiders down near enough for him to see the wreckage.

One evening he spotted an aircraft flying at some 17,000 feet and heading over the coast. He decided that it was a German aircraft, and a Junkers 88 at that. The news was flashed through to the observer centre, and so to a Fighter Command station.

Spitfires were in the air within a few minutes. The enemy was quickly seen and overhauled, and the attack began. With their first bursts, the Spitfires killed the German gunner. Then the Junkers was disabled.

Some miles away a searchlight post saw the enemy being harassed and forced down, and then saw it crash on the heather. A few minutes later, officers and men of the searchlight post were on the scene and had taken three German prisoners. The fourth, the gunner, was dead.

The whole combat, from the spotting of the Ju. 88 to its descent on the moors, had taken little more than 40 minutes. A proud member of the Observer Corps visited the wreckage of the Junkers on the following day.

KWEILIN THEATRE TRAGEDY

Tragedy occurred at the Chi Min Theatre in Kweilin yesterday when four persons were killed and more than 30 injured as a result of the collapse of the rear of the establishment in the midst of a show.

Of those killed, one was a child, one a woman and two were men. —Central News.

Mr. Karl Curie, a visitor to the Colony, walking in Queen's Road, Central near the Hong Kong Hotel yesterday, was robbed of a fountain pen valued at \$20.

HAD CAMERA IN PROHIBITED AREA

For possession of a camera in a prohibited area—Cornwall Street—Cheung King-sung, 23, salesman, was fined \$10 by Mr. E. Hims-worth this morning. The film in the camera had been developed and nothing of importance was found.

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Singer 11 Saloon	1935	31864	3615	\$1,400
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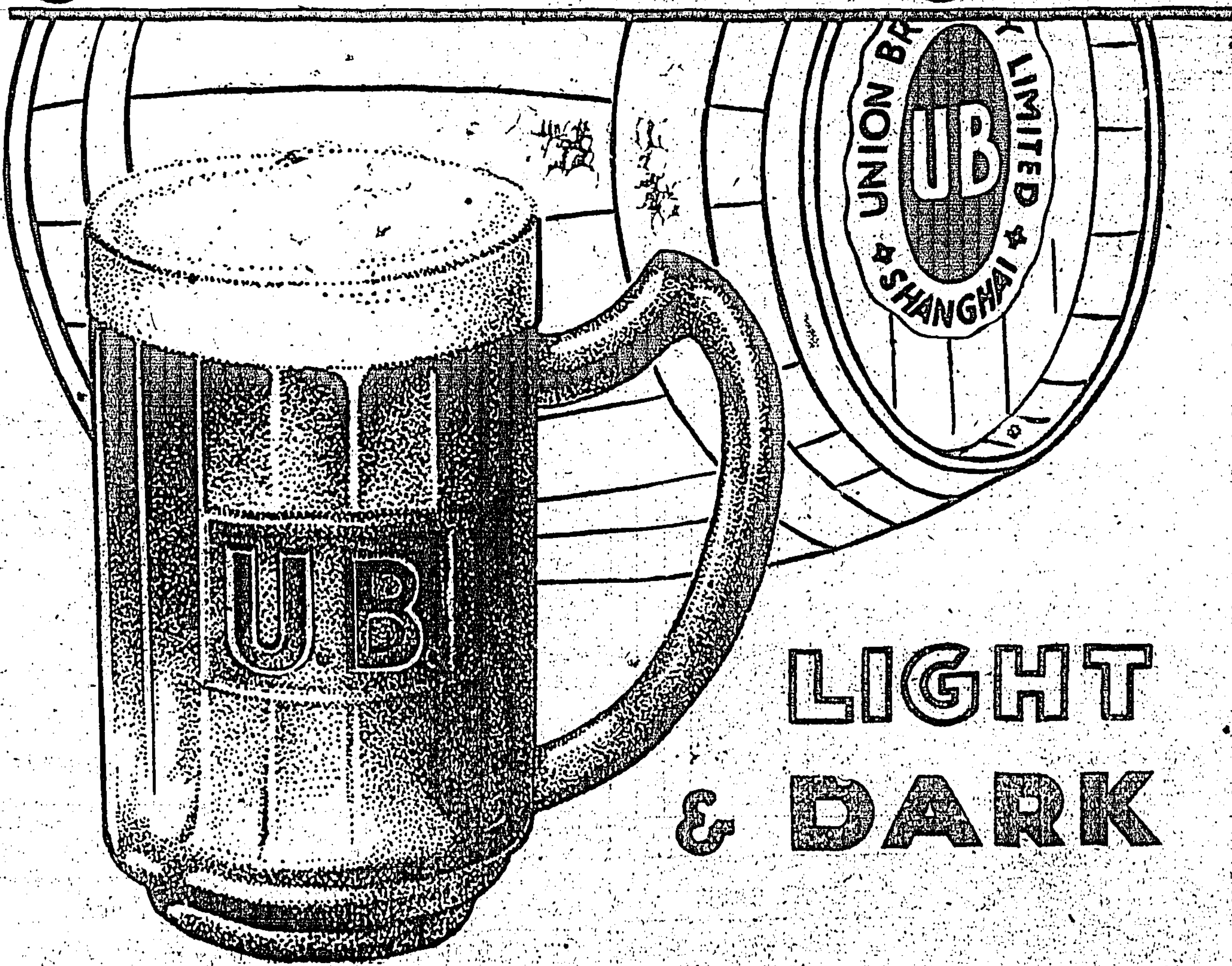
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Eleventh Extra Race Meeting,
16th November, 1940

HANDICAP WEIGHTS

Race No. 4. New Bridge Handicap—First Section.
Race No. 5. Castle Peak Handicap—First Section.
Race No. 6. New South Wales Handicap.

Weights in the above have been reduced 5 lb. all round.
The correct weights will appear in the Race Book.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th November, 1940.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The ELEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 16th November, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong 11th Nov., 1940.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS



PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 18th day of November, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1		Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4296.							
		Kowloon City Road, To Kwa Wan.							
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.			
			As per sale plan						
							About 15,300	\$300	\$12,225



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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
2		Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4297.							
		Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4146, Ping Street, Kau Pui Shek.							
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.			
			As per sale plan						
							About 5,734	\$65	\$4,301

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HONG KONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held in the Board Room, South China Morning Post, Ltd., on THURSDAY, 14th November, 1940 at 5.45 p.m. for the purposes of receiving the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st August, 1940, and of electing office bearers for the ensuing year, etc.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an INTERIM DIVIDEND OF 12s. 6d. (Twelve Shillings and Six Pence) per Share on account of the year 1940 has been declared payable on FRIDAY, 15th NOVEMBER, 1940, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Society's Registered Office, Union Building, Hong Kong.

NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED FROM MONDAY, 4th NOVEMBER, to FRIDAY, 15th NOVEMBER, 1940, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, 4th October, 1940.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on THURSDAY, 14th Nov., 1940 commencing at 5.15 p.m. at their Sales Room, No. 2, Connaught Road, C. (2nd Floor) A VALUABLE COLLECTION OF POSTAGE STAMPS.

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Hong Kong, 12th Nov., 1940.

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BRIDGE NOTES

A GOOD RAISE

By The Four Aces

One of the first things a player learns about good bidding is to raise partner's suit only with sufficient support for his trump suit. This lesson is so familiar that to-day's hand caused havoc among even fine players in the recent Asbury Park tournament:

South, Dealer

Neither side vulnerable

♠ 8 5 4 2

♥ A 7

♦ A Q J 8 5

♣ 8 4

♠ J 10 9

♥ 10 6 5 2

♦ 10 6 3

♣ A Q 5

♠ K 7 2

♥ 8 3

♦ 9 4 2

♣ K J 9 6

♠ A Q 6

♥ K Q J 9 4

♦ K 7

♣ 10 7 2

The bidding:

South West North East

1♥ Pass 2♦ Pass

2♥ Pass 3♥ Pass

4♥ Pass Pass Pass

North has what appears to be a problem at his second turn to bid. Some players attempted to pass the buck by bidding three diamonds in the hope that South could carry on. But when this was done, South gave up the struggle. North's diamond bid and rebid indicated a hand with no fit for hearts and a general inability to play the hand at anything but a diamond contract. Since South's hand was not nearly strong enough to raise to game in diamonds or try no-trump despite North's sign-offs, he simply passed North's three-diamond bid.

Other North players tried two no-trump — a truly horrible bid, since the North hand is devoid of stoppers in either of the unbid suits. Quite naturally the South players, in those cases went to three no-trump; and the natural club opening speedily defeated that bad contract.

Thoughtful players realised that South's heart rebid showed a strong five-card or a six-card suit. In that case North's doubleton heart Ace was sufficient support. As long as North's strength called



Romantic Rowena says she goes to great lengths for romance—all her beaux are at least six foot tall.

for a second bid, the heart raise was safest and most constructive.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, vulnerable against non-vulnerable opponents, you held:

♠ A Q 7

♥ A K 6 3

♦ 9 5

♣ K J 7 4

The bidding:
You Moler Sebenzon Jacoby
1♥ Dbl. 2♥ Pass
(7)

ANSWER: Pass. Your partner has a very weak hand whose only redeeming feature is support for hearts. Game is practically out of the question, especially since the double locates most of the missing high cards at your left. You are reasonably safe where you are, but any further bid may get you into trouble.

Score 100% for pass, 40% for two no-trump or three clubs; 30% for three hearts.

Question No. 564

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner and, not vulnerable against vulnerable opponents, you hold:

♠ 8

♥ A K J 10 7 3

♦ K 9 7 4

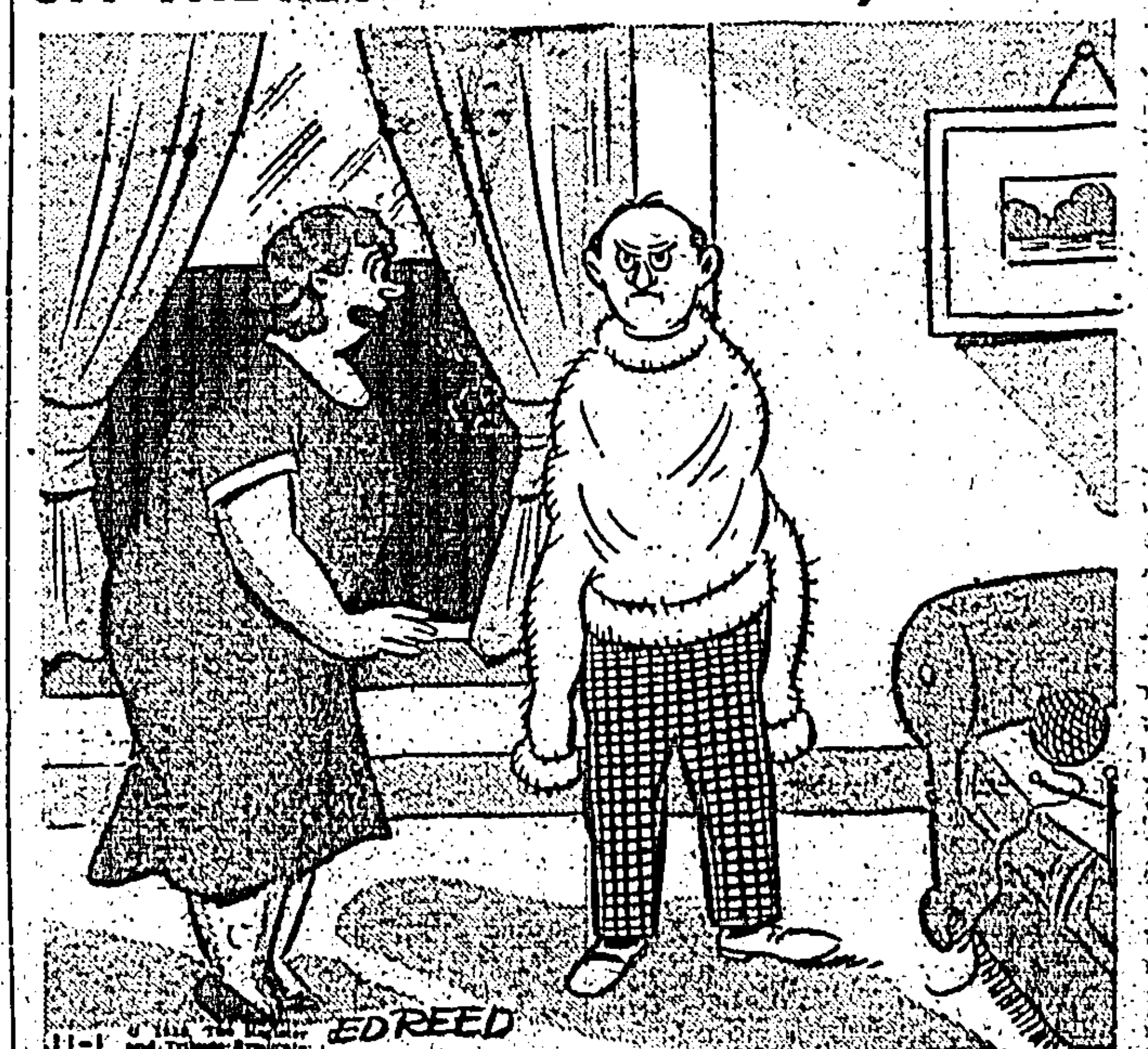
♣ 8 5

The bidding:
You Moler Jacoby Schenken
1♥ Dbl. 2♥ Pass
(7)

What do you bid? (Answer To-morrow.)
(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED



"That's strange—plenty of other women do their knitting at the movies!"

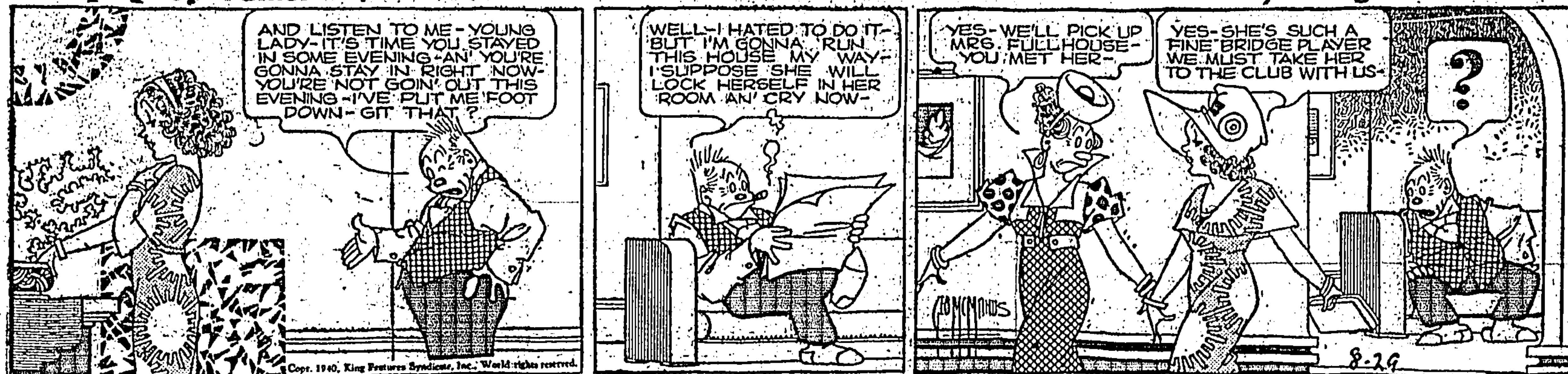
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN Made Without Eggs

The housewife will certainly be glad these days of recipes for eggless dishes, and this week a cookery expert has prepared cakes, pies, and sweets — all without eggs.

Cheese Crisps

Put 4oz cheese through mincer and cream it with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter; add salt and cayenne to taste and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup flour. Form into a paste and place in ice chest until well chilled and firm. Roll out thinly on a lightly-floured board, cut into finger lengths, and place on unbuttered cooking trays. Place once more in ice chest until firm, then bake in a hot oven for about 7 or 8 minutes, or until a light brown.

Vegetable Hot Pot

Parboil 3 cups diced potato; drain well and place a layer in the bottom of a well-greased glass ovenproof dish. Fry 3 thinly-sliced onions in 1 tablespoon margarine or good dripping until soft, but not too brown. Parboil 1 cup carrots, cut into strips about the size of a wooden match, also $\frac{1}{2}$ cup diced celery. Make a sauce with 1 tablespoon melted butter or dripping, add 1 tablespoon flour, cook a little, add 2 cups vegetable stock or milk, stir until thickens. Simmer for 5 minutes; then add pepper and salt to taste and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup grated cheese. Spread a layer of sauce over potatoes, then a layer of onions, etc., then another layer of sauce. Continue until dish is full, having sauce for top layer. Sprinkle with buttered crumbs and bake in moderate oven for 45 minutes.

Water Wafers

Sift 12oz plain flour, 2oz corn-flour, and a good pinch salt together. Rub in 3oz butter and mix with enough cold water to form a soft dough. Roll out

thinly, stamp out into rounds, prick with a fork, and bake in moderate oven for about 10 minutes. Store in airtight tins.

Apple Snowballs

Well wash 2 cups rice and pour on 2 cups boiling water and bring to boiling point. Add 2 cups milk and the thinly peeled rind of 1 lemon, good pinch salt and 2 tablespoons sugar. Cook until rice is tender and moisture absorbed. In the meantime, peel and core 6 medium cooking apples and fill centre with raisins or dates. Divide rice into as many portions as apples, press out carefully, then place a prepared apple on each and fold rice over apple, completely covering it. Tie in separate pieces buttered paper, then cloth, and boil for 1½ hours. Turn out carefully and serve with cream or melted butter and sugar.

Butter Scrolls

Cream 6oz butter well, gradually add 2oz icing sugar, vanilla to taste, and 6oz sifted flour. Beat well until soft and creamy. Put mixture into a forcing tube with rose pipe attached and force out mixture in the shape of scrolls. Allow a space between each scroll as they spread a little. Allow

them to stand in a cool place to harden, then bake it a hot oven for a few minutes.

Date Cake

Place in a saucepan 8oz butter, 8oz brown sugar, 1lb dates, and $\frac{1}{2}$ pint warm water. Bring slowly to boil and simmer for about 5 minutes stirring all the time to prevent burning. Allow to become quite cold, then add 12oz plain flour, sifted with $\frac{1}{2}$ level teaspoon ground cinnamon, $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon mixed spice, and a good pinch salt. Add 4oz shelled walnuts and 1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda, dissolved in 1 tablespoon boiling water and $\frac{1}{4}$ pint warm milk. Mix well together and bake in a well greased and floured oblong cake-tin in a moderate oven for about 2½ hours. Allow to become quite cold, ice with lemon icing and sprinkle with chopped walnuts.

A Workable Wardrobe for a Working Girl



Rita Johnson wears a wardrobe especially designed for the working girl by Dolly Tree. On days when you are leaving the office to keep an important dinner date with your beau, try wearing a black crepe dress instead of your suit. It isn't too dressy for office wear if cut on simple lines such as this one worn by the actress. The tunic is belted over a straight skirt and once again crisp pique is used for trimming. Now this is another "two faced" dress because it too may be changed by discarding the pique trim or changing it around.

An Ensemble in Black



A black coat with black chenille epaulettes distinguishes Virginia Grey's onto piece coat with military gild buttons. It's high round neckline is collarless and the actress wears it over an afternoon gown of black crepe. Her large black felt beret has a royal blue feather slit through the front lacing. Black patent shoes, a bag, matching her costume, and beige slip-on gloves complete the dressy ensemble which Miss Grey wears.

Hobbies of the Stars



Diana Lewis, like many another feminine film player, goes in for knitting between scenes of "Dinner Sweet," in which she appears with Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy.

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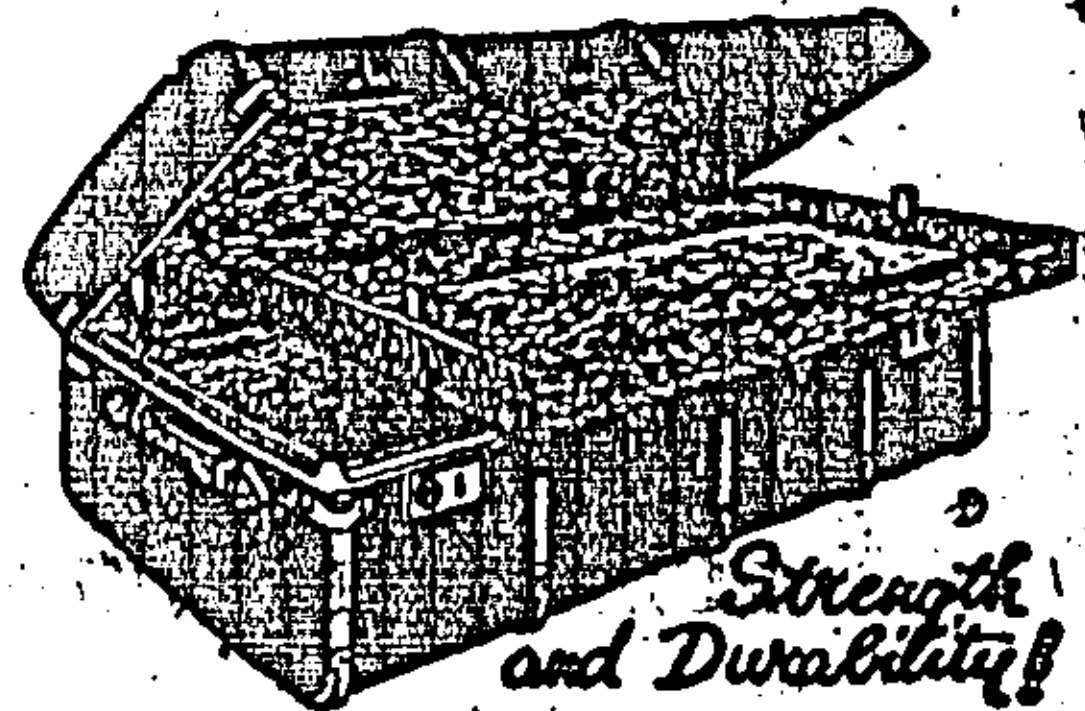
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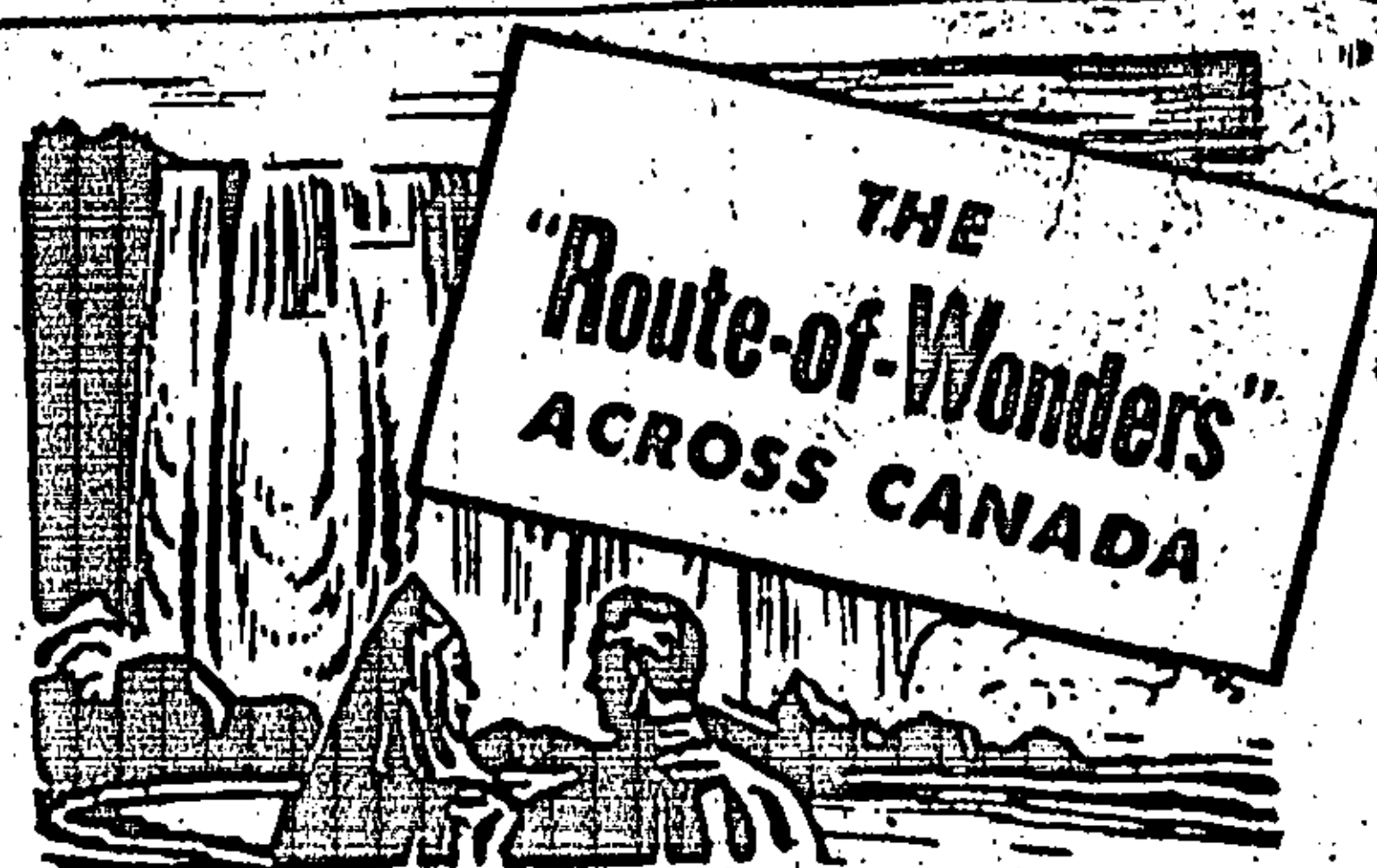
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12.30 p.m.—Rachmaninoff—Suite No. 2

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12.50 p.m.—Violin Solos by Albert Sammons.

1.03 p.m.—Bing Crosby (Vocal) and Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Variety.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.02 p.m.—An hour of Dance Music.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 p.m.—Billy Russell (Comedian) in "On Behalf of the Working Classes."

7.43 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Orchestral.

Overture to a Picaresque Comedy (Arnold Bax).... Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

8.12 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Angelica Stone (Soprano) with E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano.

1. Scene of Selika under the Man-canilla Tree (from "L'Africaine" Meyerbeer).... Angelica Stone (Soprano) with Piano accomp.

2. Quand il Pleut (Poulshnoff).... E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano.

3. (a) I Love Thee (Grieg); (b) The Three Comrades (Hermann); (c) La Rue (Gosselin).... Angelica Stone (Soprano) with Piano accomp.

8.35 p.m.—Interlude.

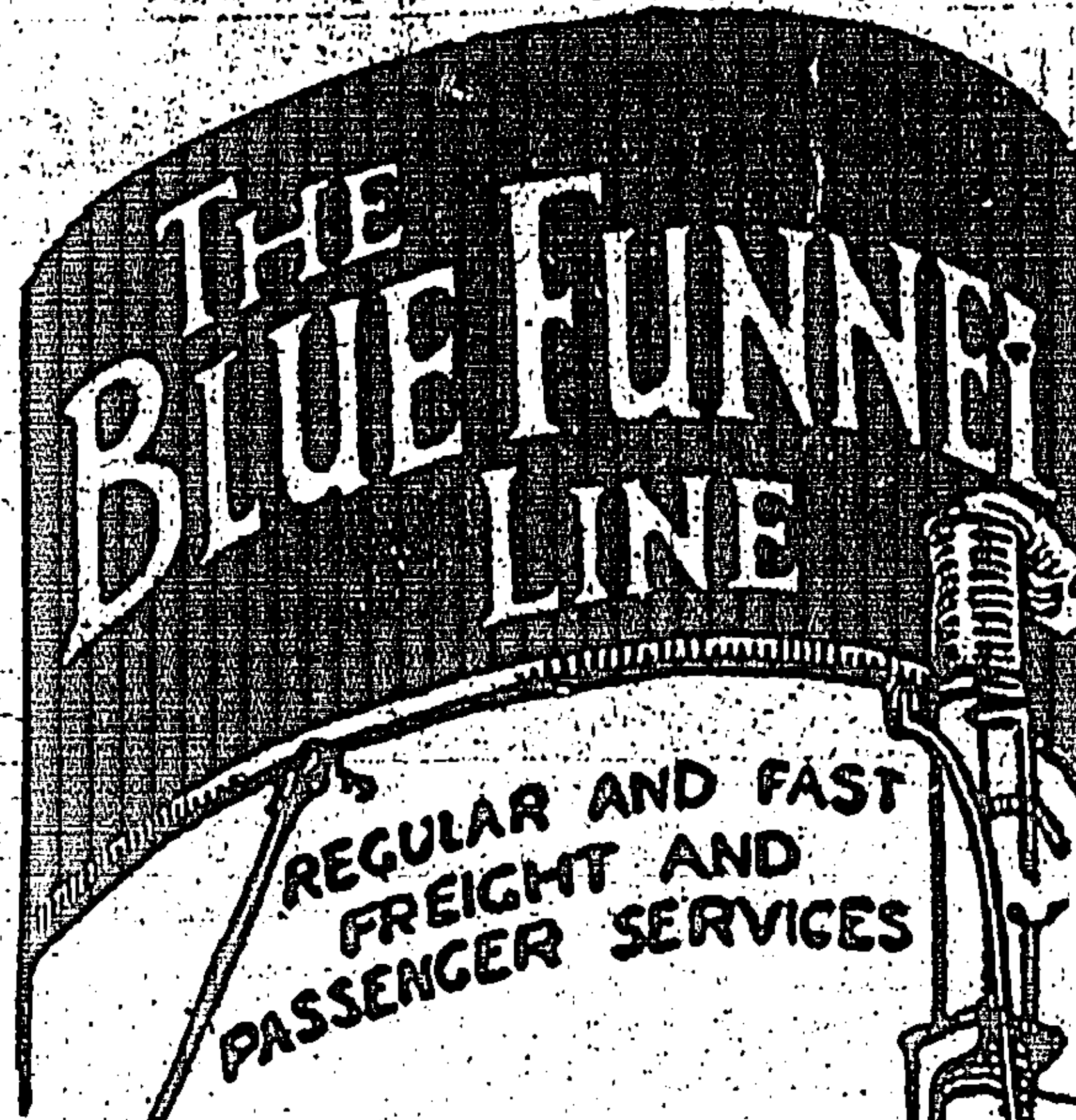
8.45 p.m.—Studio—Local Newsletter.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News & News Commentaries.

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Improvement In University Cricket This Season Noted Mahmood's Magnificent Bowling Against Indian R.C.

Newcomers Watson And B. T. Gosano Make Good Scores

By "Adrem"

THERE WAS A LARGER PROGRAMME OF CRICKET MATCHES ON SATURDAY THAN ON ANY PREVIOUS OCCASION THIS SEASON AND, IN IDEAL WEATHER CONDITIONS, SOME VERY ENJOYABLE GAMES RESULTED.

As far as batsmen were concerned honours went to Donald Anderson and Harry Owen Hughes, who between them made no fewer than 190 runs in the same game, at Cox's Road, in the drawn match between the senior teams of Kowloon and Hong Kong Cricket Clubs.

Bowlers in the news were A. R. Minu, who was playing again seriously after a period of inactivity, and S. Mahmood, who returned yet another useful performance to take 8 for 46.

Other notable individual performances were A. Watson's fine innings for Civil Service juniors, which has earned for him a place in the senior team this week, and Interport footballer B. T. Gosano's first half-century—to my knowledge—in local cricket.

Once known as the footballing Gosanos, recent events appear to have justified the changing of this to the Cricketing Gosanos!

I was fortunate enough to see most of Anderson's innings at the K.C.C. and when I left the ground at about 3.30, the opening batsman had just reached 60. Returning to the club later I was quite surprised to learn that he had not scored a century. Judging by the first part of his knock, the attaining of that distinction appeared to be inevitable as he had been batting with supreme confidence and was treating the fairly mediocre bowling with the lack of respect it deserved.

Anderson's batting in the last season—or so—even though he rarely failed to make runs, had led me to suspect that he was having trouble with his eyes as he had been painfully slow on several occasions. On Saturday he was at his best and batted as brilliantly as he has ever done.

Zimmern Scratches

Archie Zimmern, whose form thus far has secured promotion for him in the batting order, shaped as though he would make a lot of runs, but after he had reached 16, he was miserably personified and a period of scratching and scraping followed, during which he made John Pearce think he was quite a bowler. It came as quite a relief when Owen Hughes bowled him and he was able to return to the pavilion and hide his head in shame.

Reggie Broadbridge, going in fairly late, laid on the wood rather and scored a useful 39 not out, while Teddy Fincher, who, I believe, was mainly responsible for the idea, had the distinction of qualifying for the first compulsory donation to the War Fund via the tin which is now kept at K.C.C. and H.K.C.C. for those gentlemen who drop catches or make "ducks." Vice-captain Lloyd rather rubbed it in, however, by meeting his captain before he had reached the steps of the pavilion with the tin prominently displayed!

Knight bowled some very useful stuff with the new ball for Cricket Club and John Pearce did better than he has done for some time after Archie Zimmern had bowled him in, while Owen Hughes also did pretty well.

Owen Hughes Hits Out

Owen Hughes completely dominated the H.K.C.C. innings. Going in first with Knight he secured the major portion of the 55 runs added for the first wicket, and he also had the unusual distinction of overshadowing Alec Pearce while 49 runs were added for the second wicket. He then went on to score 92 before being

caught by Anderson off Lloyd and was mainly responsible for the close proximity of his side's total to that of the K.C.C. at the close of the game, despite the fact that they had been left little time to get the runs.

Zimmern and Lloyd have settled down into a very useful bowling combination and they shared the six wickets that fell.

C.C.C. Improve

Craigengower again lost on Saturday, this time to Recreio at King's Park, but they did very well and at one period had the Portuguese team pretty worried. It is not impossible that they would have won but for their importation from Shanghai, F. R. Kermani, who was hit for 20 in one over and that, at that stage of the game, was that!

The Craigengower batsmen again failed badly. Zimmern, Kermani and Fisher, the first three men, being the only double-figure scorers. It is interesting to note that the Recreio captain, E. L. Gosano, in this match broke up the "old firm" of himself and Ozorio, which has been one of the most consistent wicket-taking machines in local cricket for the past two seasons, in favour of himself and his younger brother, left-handed L. G. The latter justified this confidence and had a devastating last spell after bowling four fruitless overs, to finish up with 4 for 19. It will be recalled that L. G. was responsible for skittling out Civil Service early in the season.

Recreio started their innings confidently and after A. J. M. Prata had been dismissed cheaply, G. N. Gosano and Eddie Soares hit hard to advance the total to within comfortable striking distance. Then came that sensational collapse, although the most optimistic Craigengower player could not have really expected to win, as indeed they did not, Recreio having four wickets in hand when the game was won.

Billmorris could not get going but Hulse bowled very steadily and was always hard to get away. He has a very nice action and should be better than his usual figures would suggest. Macaulay, of D.B.S., had only two overs and took 2 for 2.

Sappers Do Well

Royal Engineers did remarkably well against Civil Service, who had out a very strong team. It was mainly due to two men, however: Major Grose and Sgt. Megson. Grose carried the Sappers' batting, making an undefeated 48 out of the Sapper total of 122 for 8 dec, but received little support. Fred Baker did more bowling on this occasion than he has done hitherto this season and appears to be working his arm in, while Norman Whitley took 3 for 27.

Civil Service started disastrously but Hollidge stayed with Attwell to stop the rot and Richardson and Perry thereafter both made a few. Nevertheless Civil Service had lost seven wickets for

RECREIO'S HUGE SCORE

By "Adrem"

An exceptionally strong Hong Kong Cricket Club junior side failed to distinguish themselves against Combined Small Units in a match at Chater Road on Saturday and were well beaten by nine wickets.

Dewar, I am told, was in fine form with the ball for the soldiers and, had not King stayed in for a long time to make 39, the Club score would have looked fairly miserable.

Set to score 92, Small Units made short shrift of the task, the runs being knocked off for the loss of Logan's wicket. French made 49, Stonor 30 and Coombes 25 not out.

Feature of the match at Soekunpoo between R.A.P.C. and C.S.C.C. juniors was the fine batting of A. Watson—a name I have not been able to identify—who made 67 in such good style that he is to play for the senior team against K.C.C. on Saturday. Only Harper and Hawkins were able to make double-figures, apart from Watson, however, and C.S.C.C. were all out for 124, Young being the most successful Pay Corps bowler with 5 for 40.

R.A.P.C. batting was not good enough to force the issue and the match faded out in a time draw.

Good innings by Amplavanar and Gill and consistent bowling by N. Singh, Amplavanar and Gill gave University a good win over I.R.C. notwithstanding a gallant 48 not out by A. R. Suffail, who went in at the fall of the second wicket and carried his bat. Ebrahim bowled well for I.R.C. and took 5 for 23.

C.C.C. Bowlers Flogged

Recreio batsmen had a field day at the Valley at the expense of Craigengower and ran up the huge total of 220 for 6 and then proceeded to put the home team out for 75.

Noronha made 64 retired, Silva 39, Carvalho 44 and "Betty" Gosano 50 not out. The latter's innings was a particularly bright one and he took heavy toll of the bowling, 48 of his runs coming in boundaries.

Consistent bowling by Recreio proved too much for all but Bill Way, who made 33. A. V. Gosano was the most successful Recreio bowler with 3 for 24, while Remedios took some cheap wickets near the end.

Despite good bowling by Lewis, Pope and Danorowsky of Police, K.C.C. were able to win their match at the Valley by 33 runs. Kenzie Baxter made 53, Luke 15 and Crabb 14 not out. K.C.C. batsmen, otherwise, were not very clever.

Simpson, playing in his first match this season, took 4 for 19 and Baxter took 2 for 8 to put Police out for 77, Reynolds and Carey being the only double-figure scorers.

98 when stumps were drawn and can be said to have had the worst of the match.

I anticipated that University would find A. R. Minu too much of a proposition and such proved to be the case. The Interport left-hander took 7 for 23 to skittle University out for 56, but, as I have remarked, this was not surprising. What was probably the best feat of the match was undergraduate Mahmood's 8 for 46. In the face of the I.R.C. total of 160 for 8 his analysis was exceptionally good and bears reproduction.

O. M. R. W.
15 4 48 8
and I.R.C. would probably have had some anxious moments had A. H. Madar not played a typical innings of 58 not out. The University team has shown

KERMANI LEAVES

F. R. Kermani, the Shanghai all-round cricketer, returned north yesterday. He played two games for Craigengower during his stay here but did little of note.

H.K.C.C. Team

The following will represent H.K.C.C. 1st XI against Club de Recreio 1st XI on Saturday at the H.K.C.C. at 2 p.m.:—H. Owen Hughes (Capt.), C. W. E. Bishop, N. D. Booker, Surg. Lt.-Com. W. G. Finnie, R.N., Major D. C. E. Grose, T. G. C. Knight, J. C. C. Matthews, D. O. Parsons, J. L. C. Pearce, T. A. Pearce and C. D. N. Walker.

RECREIO SELECTIONS

The following will represent Recreio seniors:

W. A. Reed (Capt.) H. L. Ozorio, L. G. Gosano, J. M. Gosano, G. N. Gosano, E. M. L. Soares, N. A. Beltrao, A. M. Prata, H. A. Barros, M. A. Remedios and M. Mendonca.

The following will represent Recreio juniors against Diocesan Boys' School on Saturday at King's Park, at 2 p.m.:

E. A. R. Alves, E. L. Gosano, A. M. Rodrigues, P. M. N. da Silva, A. A. Lopes, J. C. Fonseca, J. A. Soares, B. T. Gosano, A. M. Remedios, A. N. Oher and A. N. Other.

K.C.C. CRICKET TEAMS

The following teams have been selected to represent Kowloon Cricket Club in friendly cricket matches against Civil Service Cricket Club on Saturday:

First XI (Home):—E. C. Fincher, N. D. Lloyd, D. J. N. Anderson, E. F. Fincher, A. Zimmern, F. R. Zimmern, D. Hung, W. L. Ropley, B. D. Lay, R. T. Broadbridge and T. A. Madar.
Second XI (Away):—S. A. Gray, R. T. Baldwin, E. Curtis, R. J. Fenton, R. A. J. Simpson, K. M. Baxter, J. R. Luke, H. Brckenshire, G. A. Goodban, L. R. Burch and F. J. Lay.

F. A. COUNCIL MEETING

BURMA CHINESE TEAM TO VISIT COLONY

APPROVAL WAS GIVEN at the monthly Council meeting of Hong Kong Football Association held last night to a proposed visit here of a Burma Chinese football team.

Date for the Governor's Cup and "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup matches were also fixed.

Mr. Wong Ka-tsun was in the chair, as his present being Messrs. C. A. Goldenberg (Hon. Sec.), W. E. Hollands, J. Skinner, Walter Hanming, Chin, H. K. Lee, Mok Hing, Cap. C. M. M. Manna, T. G. Stokes and P. O. Brown.

The first round of the Governor's Cup will be played on November 24 and the selection of the Association team was left to the League Management Committee.

Four Teams

It was decided that in the International Cup series, fixed for

definite improvement and if their batting was more reliable they would upset more of the stronger teams this year. In this connection I might mention that Dr. L. T. Ride is now back in the Colony and if he turns out for University in the League it should be a tremendous help.

STONOR'S BIG INNINGS

Notwithstanding a fine innings by Stonor, who was well supported by Gardner and Haskins, R.A.O.C. were unable to force a decision against R.A.P.C. in a friendly cricket match at Soekunpoo yesterday and the match was left drawn.

Stonor and Gardner added 62 for the first R.A.O.C. wicket and Boocock (9) and Stonor put on 44 for the third wicket. With five wickets down, Ordinance declared.

Thanks to a gallant innings of 38 by Taylor, R.A.P.C. were able to save the match, their last two men being in when time was called. Boocock and Haskins bowled well, the former being particularly steady.

R.A.O.C.

Gardner, c. Adlam, b. Murray 30
Stonor, st. Hemming, b. Taylor 66
Pinder, b. Chalcraft 14
Boocock, b. Taylor 9
Haskins, not out 18
Standing, b. Murray 1
Extras (B33) 33

Total (for 5 wks. dec.) 171
Meekings, Jeffery, Merrick, Wright and Mendell did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ingleby	7	0	47	0
Taylor	7	1	36	2
Happe	3	0	9	0
Murray	7	0	34	2
Chalcraft	4	0	12	1

R.A.P.C.

Murray, c. Pinder, b. Haskins 5
Happe, b. Haskins 5
Ingleby, b. Boocock 4
Taylor, b. Standing 38
Hemming, c. Pinder, b. Haskins 8
Chalcraft, b. Boocock 3
Pendergast, b. Boocock 4
Adlam, not out 1
Pinekey, b. Boocock 5
Stone, b. Boocock 0
Smart, not out 1
Extras (W2, E7, LB2) 11

Total (for 9 wks.) 83

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Boocock	12	1	59	5
Haskins	7	1	23	3
Standing	4	1	5	1

December 25 and 26, to invite the following teams to take part:—China, England, Scotland and Portugal.

Letters received from the Hong Kong Rotary Club, the Hong Kong and Macao Relief Association and the Chinese Youth's Medical Relief Association, asking for games in aid of the charities under their auspices, were read.

After a lengthy debate a suggestion to play a match, the proceeds to be divided between these three associations, was put forward by Mr. Hollands and was adopted by the Council. The match was fixed for December 22.

Approval was also given to a visit to the Colony of the Burma Chinese football team who, it was decided, should be informed that they should arrive not earlier than April 12 in order not to clash with the end of the season's League fixtures.

Cissies Pip Baskets At The Post

MAJOR R. J. J. L. Penford's team the CISSIES won the Navy Cup polo tournament at Boundary Street yesterday by scoring an 8-2 win over the Angels in their final game. Baskets, who were a point ahead in the tournament table up to yesterday, suffered a 7-6 defeat in playing the Dolittles, to finish second.

The winners lined up for the concluding match of the Tournament with Capt. R. J. F. A. Lawder at No. 1, Major Penford (Handicap 3) at No. 2, Capt. T. W. Chattey (4), No. 3, and Capt. B. G. W. Yeatman (No. 4).

Earlier in the tournament the Cissies lost 6-7 to Baskets, beat Evergreens 5-3 and Dolittles 10-2. The team scored a total of 25 goals in four matches and received four. Capt. T. W. Chattey scored 13 of these, Major Penford 8 and, Capt. Lawder 4.

Following the games yesterday, Lady Grayburn, wife of Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, gave away the prizes.

First Game

The first game of the afternoon saw Baskets meet the Dolittles and lose by the odd goal.

Scorers were Guest (3), Smith (2), Fisher and Feilden for Dolittles, Wilson (4) and Atkinson (2) for Baskets.

Dolittles:—Lieut. B. Smith (2), No. 1, Lieut. R. E. Guest, No. 2, Major C. A. Fisher (2), No. 3, and Lieut. L. J. A. Feilden (4), No. 4.

Cissies:—Lieut. E. A. Bompas, No. 1, Capt. W. H. B. Chattey (2), No. 2, Major W. B. Wilson (5), and Capt. A. G. Atkinson (1), No. 4.

Better Team

Cissies were a better team in

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It was revealed at the H.K.F.A. Council meeting last evening that the sum of \$2,596.74 was collected on October 10 from the charity soccer game between Combined Chinese and Rest of the Colony in aid of the B.W.O.F. and the B.F.R.D.C.

The total gate receipts from the annual Poppy Day Fund match on Monday were \$1,763, plus \$176, which was collected for the raffle for the ball used. This balance is less expense which has yet to be deducted.

TRAINER'S NASTY SPILL AT VALLEY

(By "RAPIER")

A nasty accident occurred at the Valley this morning, resulting in To Kar Po, a Chinese trainer in the service of Hong Kong Jockey Club, being sent to the French Hospital in an unconscious state.

The trainer was taking out a 1941 Australian Subscription Giffin, No. K31, belonging to Messrs. Tester & Abraham for its morning exercise, and on reaching the football stands the pony suddenly threw its rider on to the rails, with the result that he struck his neck against the stanchion of the rails with such force that he was rendered unconscious.

Help soon arrived, and he was placed in Mr. S. A. Sleep's car and removed to hospital.

In my notes recently I stressed the necessity of Jockey Club providing an Ambulance near the football stands.

the first chukker of their game against Angels. Penford again was the most constant player throughout, Chattey also being seen at his best. Lewis and Monroe were outstanding for the Angels.

Cissies:—Lawder, Penford, T. W. Chattey and Yeatman.
Angels:—Major W. A. C. H. Morgan (2), No. 1, L. A. Lewis (1), No. 2, Capt. J. H. Monroe (3), No. 3, and Lieut. F. S. C. Hancock (1), No. 4.

Final Table

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cissies	4	3	0	1	29	14	6
Baskets	4	2	1	1	28	22	5
Dolittles	4	2	0	2	19	28	4
Evergreens	4	1	1	2	21	22	3
Angels	4	1	0	3	14	27	2

CLUB TEAM FOR SATURDAY

Club's Rugby team to meet Army in a friendly match at Boundary Street on Saturday at 3 p.m. is as follows:

Thompson; Bosanquet, Day, Aitkenhead and Stewart; Charter and Morgan; Heasman, Macrae, Hachett; Gairdner, Needham; Godfrey, Taylor and Kennedy.

Referee:—J. S. Riddell.

Thomson, who is still nursing an injured arm, is being rested and Morgan is being given a trial at scrum-half. Bosanquet is back after a brief absence with an injured knee, and Godfrey has been reinstated in the pack as G. G. Davies is unavailable.

K.C.C. BOWLS TEAM

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in a friendly game of lawn bowls against Kowloon Tong on the latter's ground on Saturday, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

A. W. Smith, A. H. Martin, G. E. Taylor and E. Kern; A. Madar, J. Hempsey, W. Parson and J. Fraser; A. C. Tribble, P. Wellwood, A. Steven and H. Overy.

MORGAN EXCELS AT SCRUM-HALF

CLUB "A" BEAT A WEAK NAVY TEAM BY A GOAL AND FOUR TRIES (17 PTS.) TO A PENALTY GOAL (3 PTS.), AFTER LEADING 14-3 AT THE INTERVAL, IN THEIR RUGBY MATCH AT THE VALLEY YESTERDAY.

Morgan, who played fly-half in the first half and scrum-half in the second—Hynes went to fly-half and Clemon on the wing—caught the eye on several occasions, opening up the game in very promising style.

With Thomson still nursing an injured right arm Morgan is more than likely to play scrum-half for Club against Army in their friendly game on Saturday.

Club forwards played well yesterday, especially Oleson, who was excellent in the line-outs.

Navy backs tackled badly and only Clark, who was probably

making his last appearance for them, impressed. He played a very plucky game at scrum-half, and his gallant efforts deserved a better fate.

Aitkenhead opened Club's scoring but failed to convert his try, and Navy were on level terms when Hughes kicked a penalty goal. Morgan then scored, Redman failing with the kick, Needham added to the score, Aitkenhead failing to add the goal points, and just before the interval D. Hynes made a 50-yard dribble to score between the posts for Redman to convert. In the second half Thompson went over following a cross-kick by Taylor, Redman failing to convert.

Club:—Pecorini; Taylor, Aitkenhead, D. Hynes, Thompson; Morgan, Clemon; Oleson, Burford, Heasman; Moodie, Needham; Redman, Godfrey, B. Hynes. Navy:—Clough; Gracie, Mogerie, Adis, McGill; Wilson, Clark; Palmer; Richards, Stockham; Grangle, Rutherford; Taylor, Thornhill, Hughes.

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HITLER SEEMS TO BE PUTTING ON HIS PERSONAL MAGNETISM AT FULL STRENGTH IN ORDER TO BRING M. MOLOTOV TO AN AMENABLE FRAME OF MIND IN THE BERLIN TALKS.

Few diplomatic visitors to Berlin have engaged Hitler's personal attention so long. M. Molotov's visit to the Chancellery yesterday lasted for over four hours, and his talks with Herr Hitler lasted three hours of this time.

They also talked at length at a luncheon which Hitler gave in M. Molotov's honour.

At the official conversations after the luncheon, Ribbentrop was present as well as M. Dekanozov, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister.

The Councillor of the German Embassy in Moscow and the

Secretary of the Russian Embassy in Berlin acted as interpreters.

The luncheon to Molotov was officially described as a "small luncheon party."

"A Small Party"

It was held in the old Reich Chancellery and the guests included some of M. Molotov's suite, Ribbentrop, General Keitel, Goebbels, Dr. Ley (chief of the Labour Front), Dietrich (the Reich Press Chief) and "the commander of Hitler's bodyguard and others."

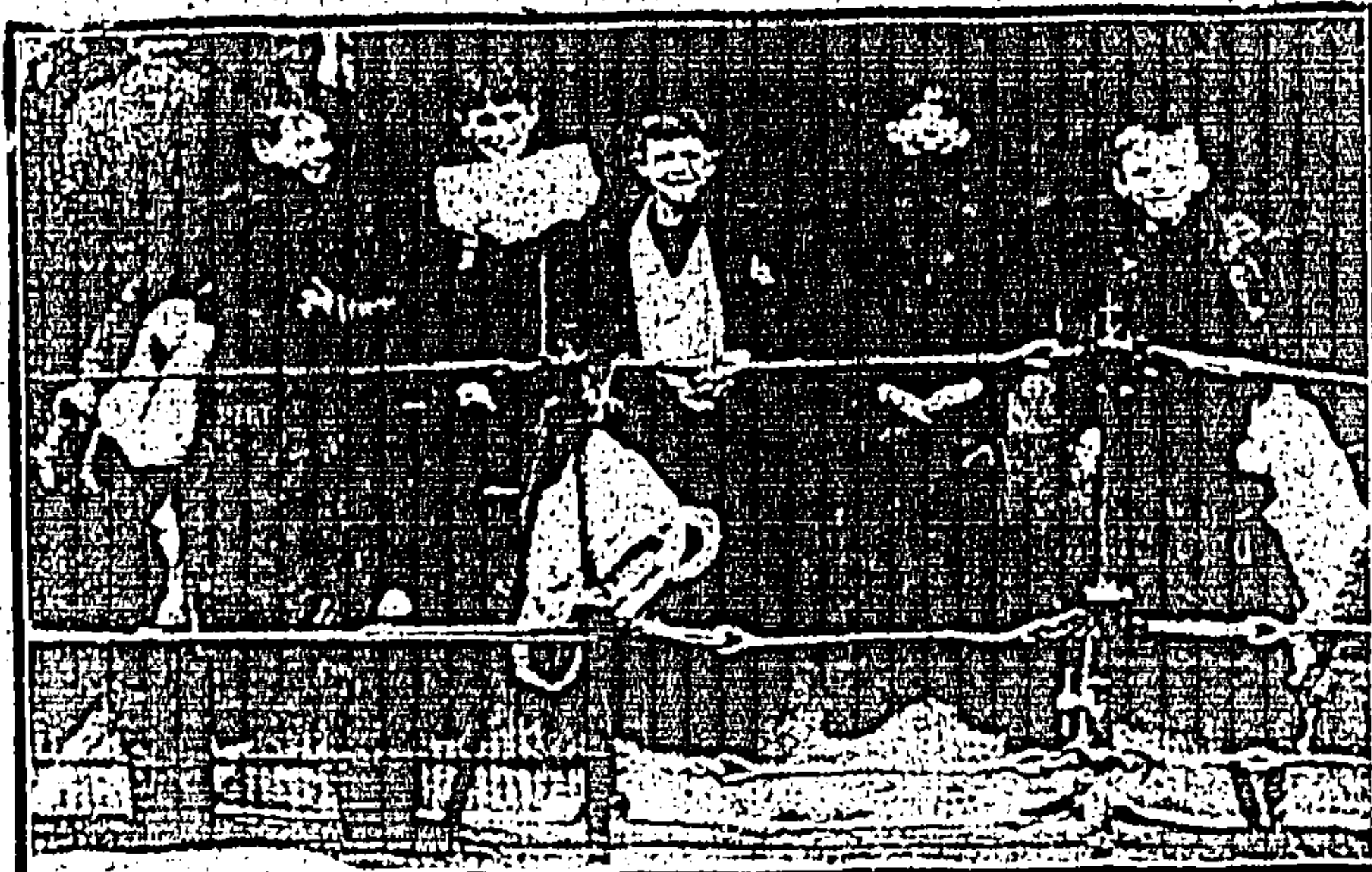
Von Doernberg, Chief of Protocol, called for M. Molotov at the Belvedere Palace and drove with him to the Chancellery where the guard-presented arms. Hitler greeted the guests in the flower-decked reception room of his own apartments.

Photographs were taken for the Press and news-reels. Molotov sat at Hitler's right hand at lunch. — Reuter.

U.S. NAVAL YARDS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

The United States national defence programme is a "full year ahead of schedule," Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary for the Navy, told reporters after inspecting the navy yard at Boston (Massachusetts) yesterday.

Colonel Knox added: "In 1941 we shall be getting 26 new ships, including two battleships and one aircraft carrier." — Reuter.



Five child survivors from a torpedoed evacuee ship. Kenneth Sparks, Howard Clayton, Harry Steele, Derek Capel and William Short, seen kitted up with their life-saving equipment aboard the rescue ship. (Copyright, Fox).

SINKING OF "BREMEN" DENIED

A report from the United States to the effect that the giant German liner "Bremen" has been sunk is denied by the official German News Agency, which says the report is devoid of foundation. — Reuter.

Italian Retreat In Two Sectors

According to the latest reports from Greece, the Italians are retreating in two sectors in the face of determined Greek attacks.

In the Pindus sector, remnants of the Alpini division are reported to be struggling back from Konitsa, 15 miles north of the place where they received their first set-back.

This will take them back over the frontier into Albania, and they are leaving behind equipment and prisoners to swell the numbers already taken by the Greeks.

The other area is on the Adriatic. Here, Italian advance patrols penetrated between the Kalamas and Acheron rivers, some 25 miles in from the coast.

The latest news from Greece says that the Italians have been pushed back towards the Kalamas River, and that Greek troops advancing from the Acheron (the "Styx" of mythology) have certainly reached Masaraki, eight miles from the Kalamas River. — Reuter.

NORWAY GROWING RESTLESS

According to the Stockholm correspondents of Swiss newspapers, a movement is growing among officials in Norway to demonstrate their disrespect for their new masters.

The "National Zeitung" reports that all officials of the entire administrative district of Brandu have been dismissed for "Go Slow" conduct and the administration of the district has been completely disclosed.

Similar disobedience is reported from many other parts of Norway. — Reuter.

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STOP PRESS

An official announcement is made in London of the decision to create the office of Commander-in-Chief in the Far East. The notification states:—

"In view of the state which has been reached in the defence depositions in territories in the Far East for the protection of which His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom is responsible and in order to ensure co-ordinated control, it has been decided to appoint a Commander-in-Chief in the Far East who will have under his command the General Officers commanding Malaya, Burma and Hong Kong and the Air Officer Commanding in the Far East.

"The New C.I.C. will consult and cooperate with the Naval Commanders-in-Chief in China and the East Indies and with the Commander-in-Chief, India. It will also be his duty to maintain close touch with Governors of Burma and the Colonies concerned and communicate with His Majesty's Government in the Commonwealth of Australia and New Zealand on all matters of interest to them.

He will also be responsible for keeping in touch with defence matters with His Majesty's representatives in foreign countries in or concerned with the Far East."

HUNT FOR RAIDER

It is now certain that a German raider laid the mines which sank a British and an American ship last Friday, stated Mr. C. E. Hughes, Minister of the Navy, in Melbourne yesterday.

The Minister added that the mines were laid "quite recently." The raider must be within a certain radius and naval and air patrols are searching diligently. — Reuter.

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